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LIQUID COOLING SYSTEM

A woman cools down in the water sprinklers at Yonge-Dundas Square on Tuesday. Environment Canada has issued a heat alert for the next few days in the city. Check out page 4 for the best places to beat the heat. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

TDSB considers selling parts of its schoolyards

Ways to generate cash. Money from sales could be used to pay for additions, renovations or upgrades to buildings

Toronto's public school board is looking to sell off chunks of schoolyards to raise some much-needed cash.

In a plan that goes before trustees at a Toronto District School Board (TDSB) meeting Wednesday night, trustees are being asked to give the go-ahead for board staff to examine every school across the city and report back in November on how many have land that could be severed and sold.

A few trustees said that, behind the scenes, the general idea is to sell 100 parcels of land at $1 million each, out of roughly 600 sites, bringing in an estimated $100 million.

But Chair Chris Bolton called it premature to talk about the scale of the plan or the overall value.

"We want to make clear that what we are trying to do is to generate some money, but we want to do it in a way that's responsible," he said.

While the board does own some large properties — especially in Scarborough, North York and Etobicoke — "we need to look at it locally" and consult with communities, he said.

"We don't want to leave the schoolyards and community green spaces at a loss here."

The Education Ministry does not set a minimum size for schoolyards.

Under provincial rules, the money from land sales could not be used to fund schools or staff, but it could pay for additions, renovations and upgrades to buildings.

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Gelato shop still closed

Friends leave flowers in memory of Toronto's Little Italy shooting victim, who had a history of run-ins with the law PAGE 3

Magnotta's 1st day in court

The suspect accused of killing and dismembering a Montreal university student pleaded not guilty through his lawyer Tuesday PAGE 8

Gulp — save our seas

Officials at UN's RIO+20 conference will discuss ways to stop trashing our oceans PAGES 12-14

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Love lingers at death café

Shooting aftermath. Flowers and a poignant card mark the spot where a man's life ended in Little Italy on Monday

A bouquet of white roses bears a card addressed to "John."

"Love you always," the message reads.

The two poignant mementoes sit outside the Little Italy gelato restaurant where a man was shot to death in broad daylight on Monday afternoon.

Both were left lovingly among white peonies at the Sicilian Sidewalk Café on College St. near Montrose Ave.

The shooting sparked panic among the crowd watching the Euro 2012 Italy vs. Ireland soccer match on the patio.

"People were screaming and running, picking up children like footballs," a witness said.

The café remained closed Tuesday, cordoned off with yellow police tape, while the masked lone gunman remained at large.

The victim, John Raposo, 35, had a history of run-ins with the law.

Nicknamed "Johnny Maserati," he was to appear in court on an assault charge in two weeks.

In December, he was to go on trial on charges of dangerous operation of a vehicle.

Charges of aggravated assault, possession of stolen goods and failure to comply were withdrawn in the 1990s.

He was described as a family man and car lover.

"All we know is that he's a good guy and he's got two kids: one here and one on the way," said a friend.

His killer is described by police as a 6-foot-tall white man with shoulder-length blond hair and a medium build.

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The community

"It's a good family ... working people"

A neighbour of the Raposo family

Flowers lie outside Little Italy's Sicilian café, scene of a fatal shooting Monday. CARLOS OSORIO/TORONTO STAR

Picket fracas

Ex-mayor faces driving charge

Peter Robertson, former mayor of Brampton, has been charged with dangerous operation of a motor vehicle after an incident involving a pedestrian last week.

CUPE Local 996 members were picketing at Peel Region headquarters and making vehicles wait. It's claimed the ex-mayor drove to a different exit.

Police would only say that a 23-year-old Brampton woman was struck and later released from hospital with minor injuries.

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Backyard tragedy

Charge laid after boy dies in pond

The death of a two-year-old Scarborough boy, who drowned in a neighbour's pond declared "unsafe" by city officials, has resulted in a criminal charge against a homeowner.

The boy was found facedown in a backyard pond at a Carrying Place home around 10:20 a.m. on Tuesday.

He was pronounced dead at the Hospital for Sick Children, police said.

Sriranganathan Ampalam, 58, is charged with criminal negligence causing death.

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What the jury weren't told in drug squad trial

Four of five former drug squad officers on trial in the city's largest police corruption case were previously charged with defrauding the Toronto police force.

For the sake of trial fairness, however, references to these so-called "Fink Fund" allegations were not heard by a jury that began deliberations Tuesday.

Raymond Pollard, 48, Joseph Miched, 53, Steven Correia, 45, Ned Maodus, 49, and their former boss, John Schertzer, 54, are variously charged with conspiracy to attempt to obstruct justice, perjury, extortion, theft and assault.

The former members of the elite Team 3 of Central Field Command drug squad were charged by a Toronto police Special Task Force in 2004.

Their trial began Jan. 16.

The jury did not hear, however, that on Nov. 22, 2000, Pollard, Miched, Correia and Schertzer were charged — along with four other officers — with theft, fraud, forgery and breach of trust in their use of the police "Fink Fund," a cash reserve to pay informants.

Those charges were stayed on Feb. 13, 2002, because the Crown feared they would compromise the larger investigation into the allegations now before the jury.

The jury also did not hear that Maodus — who along with Schertzer is charged with assaulting pot dealer Christopher Quigley — has a previous conviction for assault. In 2007, he was given a conditional sentence after pleading guilty.

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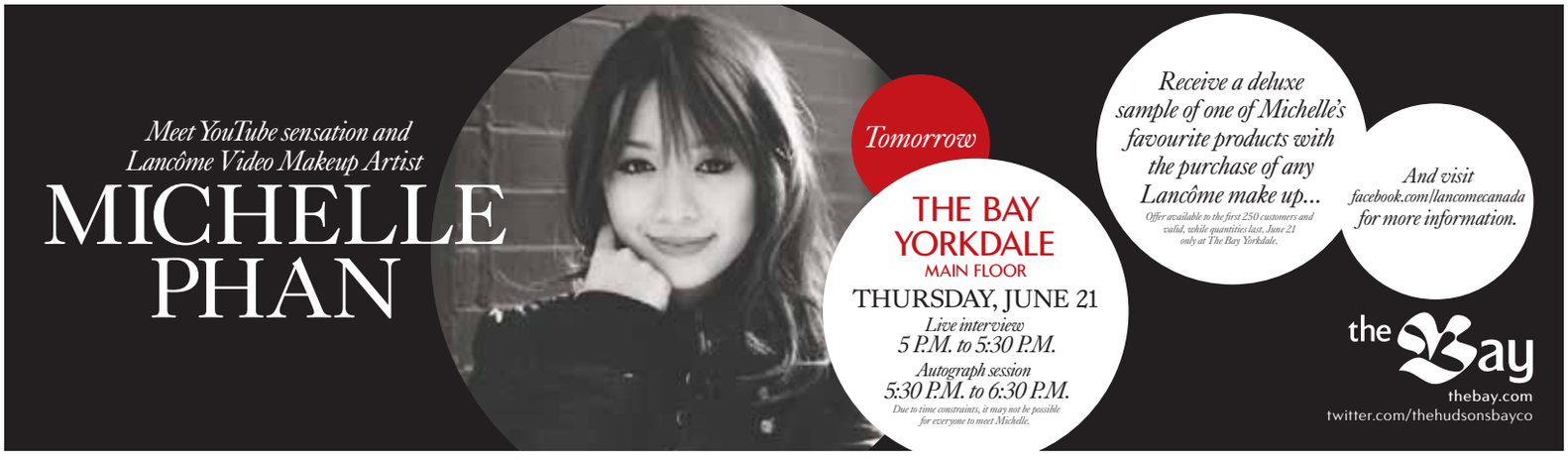
On the web

'Octomom' facing home foreclosure

'Octomom' Nadya Suleman's California home was put up for auction Tuesday, but there were no bids, so it has been returned to the bank for foreclosure. Go to metronews.ca to learn more.

Mobile news

A notice on Korean Air's website announcing the start of non-stop flights from Korea to Kenya sparked a flurry of angry tweets and Facebook posts earlier this week over the description of Kenyans as indigenous people full of "primitive energy." Scan the code for more.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Torontonians riding out the heat wave

A small, but hardy, number of people were at the beach volleyball courts at Ashbridge's Bay on Tuesday. A heat warning is in effect for Toronto and the surrounding area. RICK MADONIK/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Feeling hot, hot, hot. No extreme heat advisory, but those looking to cool down can find plenty of ways indoors and out

As the mercury rose to 33 C Tuesday, it sure felt extremely hot. But it wasn't, according to the City of Toronto's heat monitoring system, which deemed Tuesday's weather as warranting a regular, not extreme, heat advisory.

The system takes temperature, humidity, cloud cover, wind speed and wind direction into consideration, said Elaine Pacheco, manager with Toronto Public Health. It also takes into account the number of hot and humid days in a row.

While Newmarket, Brampton and Markham opened cooling centres Tuesday, Toronto's seven cooling locations operate only during "extreme" heat alerts. On Tuesday, the city simply advised people to stay cool at shopping malls or community centres.

But if you're not in the mood for the ever-crowded Eaton Centre as this heat streak continues for the next few days, here are a few other suggestions.

Hop an air-conditioned subway train, especially the new Toronto Rocket
Pros: Grab a spot, read a book, and people-watch. Bonus if you actually need to get somewhere.
Cons: It can be a sweaty, muggy wait for the train in the station, and there's nothing particularly cooling about squishing up against sweaty passengers during rush hour, so avoid peak times.
Cost: $3 fare

Run through the Yonge-Dundas Square fountain
Pros: Get a refreshing blast of water where you need it most: In the middle of concrete-heated, downtown Toronto. Some summer nights, it'll be open 24 hours and for a midnight cool-off.
Cons: The fountain only runs when there are no events in the square, so it's not a reliable beat-the-heat method. Plus, you could ruin those new purchases from the Eaton Centre.
Cost: Free

The freezer sections of LCBOs and Beer Stores
Pros: Chill out while learning all about the types, flavours and brands of beer you can serve at your next barbecue.
Cons: After 15 minutes of lingering, you might feel the expectant gaze of an employee or two and feel obligated to buy a few tall cans.
Cost: Free — if you opt out of alcohol

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TB concerns. Toronto Zoo elephants' move to U.S. sanctuary delayed again

An elephant looks to the inside of a transport crate at the Toronto Zoo. RENE JOHNSTON/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE

Another deadline for moving the Toronto Zoo's three remaining elephants to a sanctuary in California will come and go, as the war of words continues amid growing concerns about tuberculosis at the U.S. facility.

Instead of the end of this month as originally hoped, a new date for the trio's departure is now likely early August, according to the spokesperson for a Canadian animal-rights group participating in the relocation process.

U.S. import permits have been obtained, says Julie Woodyer, a director with Zoocheck, the organization working on behalf of the PAWS sanctuary

But the zoo is not committing to that deadline, saying it's still conducting a "due diligence" review of the PAWS sanctuary. City council has ordered that the animals be sent to the sanctuary.

Key stumbling blocks are reports that continue to filter out about tuberculosis at PAWS. It was reported that a lab test last week showed an elephant at the U.S. facility tested positive for TB. That animal, Annie, has already been in quarantine for more than three years, PAWS co-owner Pat Derby said.

She forwarded the results to the zoo as soon as they came in.

But now the USDA is saying that two other elephants that died at PAWS in the last year and half also tested "positive" for TB in necropsy reports conducted after their deaths.

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Environment

How green will a plastic-bag ban be?

Environmentalists hailed Toronto's surprise decision to ban the bag. But will banning the standard plastic shopping bag actually help the environment?

Probably, though the answer is somewhat more complex than council's ban proponents have made it sound.

"It depends on a whole bunch of things in terms of how people respond to the ban," says Mark Winfield, a York University environmental-studies professor.

Many stores will probably switch to paper bags, which unlike plastic originate from a renewable resource, trees. They also break down faster, so they don't linger as long as litter, and they don't harm wildlife. But, as a 2006 British government study noted, the extraction and production process is the biggest factor affecting a bag's environmental impact. Paper bags cause more harm during production.

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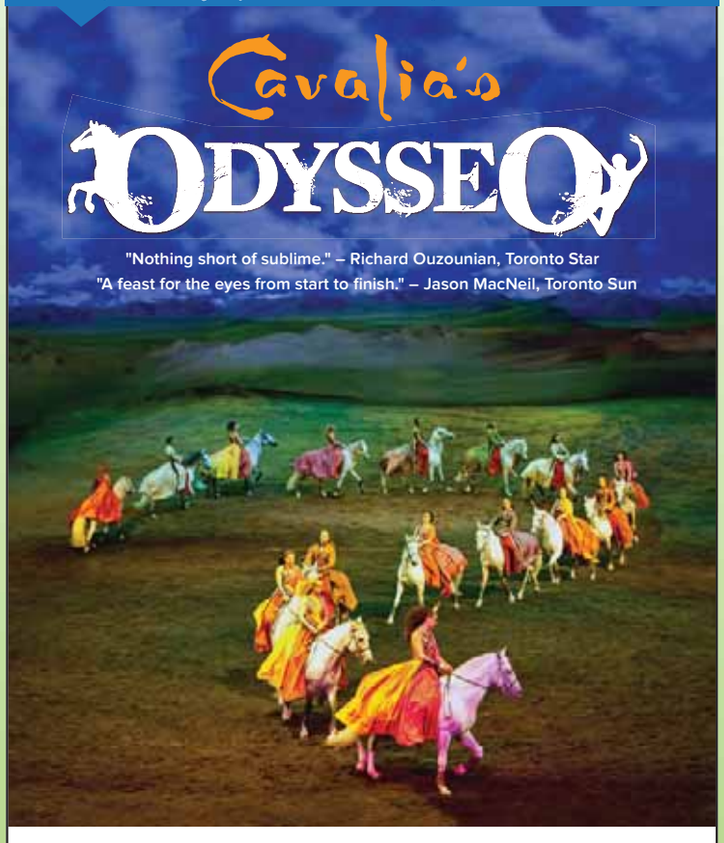
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Israelis, Palestinians

Donors' families raise awareness

A Torch of Life walk through 71 communities to raise awareness of the need for transplant organs ended Tuesday at the Ontario legislature with a rally and a plea for people to sign donor cards.

Carrying the torch over the past 110 days was Khaled Khatib, a Palestinian whose 11-year-old brother Ahmed was shot dead by an Israeli soldier. Khatib's family donated the boy's organs to five Israeli children. THE CANADIAN PRESS

'Epidemic'

Bullying can affect kids' DNA, lead experts say

Some of Canada's leading bullying experts are calling for a national strategy to address an "epidemic," which they say not only affects children's well-being but also their DNA.

The researchers said children exposed to frequent bullying and domestic violence show premature erosion of the telomeres — DNA found at the end of chromosomes. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Ontario budget

Election not likely

A watered-down version of Ontario's budget is headed to a final vote of MPPs on Wednesday amid optimism it will pass, averting a July election.

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Argos defeat Alouettes in pre-season game

Kids cheer on the Toronto Argonauts as they face off against the Montreal Alouettes at the Rogers Centre on Tuesday. More than 30,000 children with thunder sticks and energy watched as the Argos beat the Alouettes 25-20 in pre-season CFL action. STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Cyclist group calls city street makeover 'bike hostile'

Cycle Toronto has taken the politics out of its name. But that's not stopping the former Toronto Bike Union from seeking political recourse for city plans it says will inhibit cycling on three important streets.

The Toronto group that represents 2,400 paid members is asking Ontario Environment Minister Jim Bradley to review Toronto's plans to alter cycling facilities on Jarvis, John and Front streets.

The call comes a day after an Ontario coroner's report recommended 14 improvements to cycling safety, including a "complete streets" approach that would build more room on the roads for bikes.

Cycle Toronto claims the city's failure to consult with the public and its use of botched bike counts give the province grounds to overrule council decisions that will create a less safe cycling environment.

"We've got good cases in all three areas," said Jared Kolb of Cycle Toronto.

When the city approved removing the bike lanes on Jarvis to return the fifth reversible centre lane to cars, it failed to do the prescribed public consultations, say the cyclists.

That work is supposed to be complete in the fall, once physically separated bike lanes on parallel Sherbourne Street are completed.

Cycle Toronto is calling the makeover of Front Street at Union Station "bike hostile." Kolb says the city's plans to paint sharrows in a lane used by taxis is a disaster. "We all know what happens when you put (together) cabs and cyclists that are swerving in and out of a lay-by," he said. "Collisions go up." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Ornge-gate could have been averted: Ombudsman

Oversight. Head of provincial watchdog agency says he received 17 complaints about Ornge since 2005, but was powerless to investigate

The scandal at Ornge might have been prevented if the governing Liberals had allowed Ontario's ombudsman to scrutinize the troubled air ambulance service, watchdog Andre Marin said Tuesday.

His office received 17 complaints about Ornge since 2005 — including the alleged misuse of funds — but didn't have the authority to investigate them, he said. Now the publicly funded organization is under a criminal investigation for financial irregularities.

"One of the roles of the ombudsman is to serve as a barometer before tragedy of some kind strikes: financial tragedy, human tragedy," he said following the release of his annual report. "I can't tell you the Ornge scandal would not have happened with our oversight. What I can tell you is it may not have happened."

Ornge, which receives about $150 million a year from the province, is "crying out for independent oversight" even though the auditor general has already released his own scathing report, Marin said.

The Liberals have introduced legislation to improve oversight of Ornge, with one big flaw, he said. It doesn't give him jurisdiction over the rogue agency.

The ombudsman, who rarely minces words, said he raised it with the government but was told it's "not in the cards."

"You have to ask yourself: what possible public-policy reason would be to continue to protect Ornge against us having the ability to scrutinize its operations?" Marin said to reporters. "Can you find a better example of a public body that, just like a fish, is rotting from the head down? How much more do you want to go? What more do you need?"

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Hospitals need oversight too: Marin

Marin said he also needs oversight of the province's hospitals.

- "Hospitals remain shielded from oversight like some kind of medieval fortress, as do the Ornge helicopters that land there," he said. "I think Ontarians deserve stronger oversight, greater transparency for both."

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Magnotta pleads not guilty in his first court appearance

Body-parts case.
One day after arriving from Germany, accused killer is impassive in video link

Luka Rocco Magnotta has pleaded not guilty in the body-parts case, appearing calm Tuesday in his first court session.

Projected into the Montreal courtroom by video link, Magnotta protested his innocence in the slaying-and-dismemberment case that has drawn world attention.

His appearance lasted about three minutes.

Magnotta was impassive as he appeared onscreen at the courthouse.

Actually, he was standing at a police station in a different part of the city, flanked by a guard.

The 29-year-old murder suspect had arrived in Canada the previous day, shackled as he was returned from Germany aboard a military plane.

Magnotta, a self-described porn actor and prostitute, faces five charges, including first-degree murder, defiling a corpse, and harassing Prime Minister Stephen Harper and members of Parliament, as well as publishing and mailing obscene material.

He is accused of killing and dismembering Montreal university student Jun Lin, mailing out his body parts to different places, including the Ottawa offices of the Conservative Party of Canada, and posting a video of the events on the Internet.

Appearing before Justice Lori-Renee Weitzman, Magnotta pleaded not guilty through his lawyer Pierre Panaccio.

The case returns to court on Thursday, again by video, to discuss a motion to have Magnotta evaluated.

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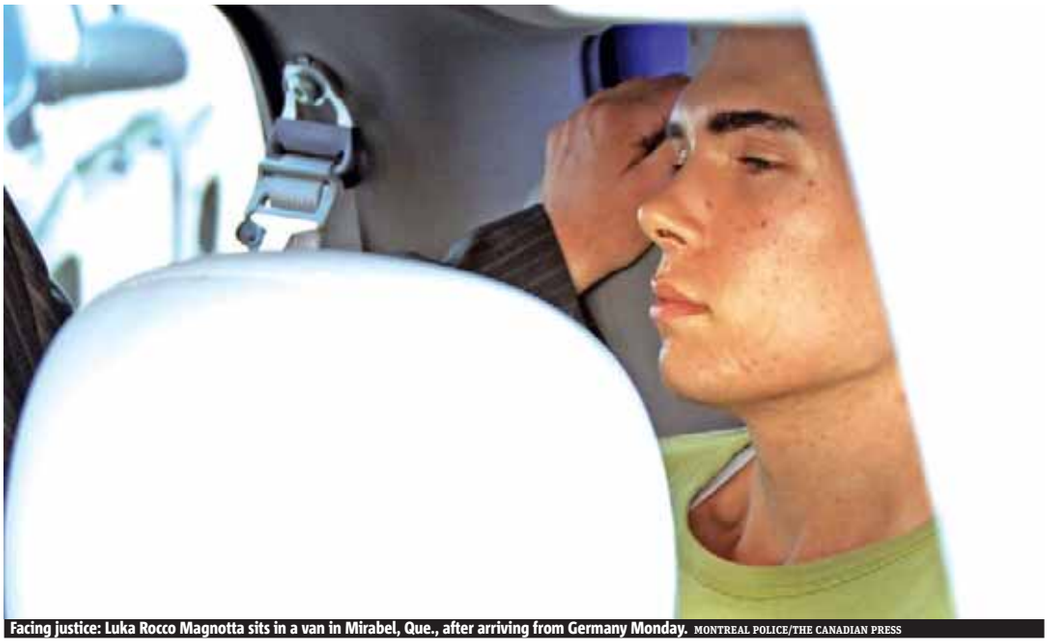

Facing justice: Luka Rocco Magnotta sits in a van in Mirabel, Que., after arriving from Germany Monday. MONTREAL POLICE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Hosni Mubarak on life support, adding to uncertainty in Egypt

Crisis in Cairo. Questions arise over former leader's successor — and whether the position still holds power

Egypt's Hosni Mubarak was being kept alive by life support after he was rushed from prison to a military hospital in a rapidly worsening condition, officials said. The 84-year-old ousted leader's health crisis added a new element of uncertainty just as a potentially explosive fight opened over who will succeed him.

The state news agency MENA said Mubarak was "clinically dead" when he arrived at the hospital and that doctors used a defibrillator on him several times. It initially said the efforts were not successful.

But the official said Mubarak was put on life support. He had no further details on his condition. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to talk to the press.

An Egyptian man chants slogans against the Supreme Council for the Armed Forces (SCAF) outside the Egyptian parliament in Cairo on Tuesday, as ousted Egyptian leader Hosni Mubarak was being kept alive by life support.
MANU BRABO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The developments add further layers to what is threatening to become a new chapter of unrest and political power struggles in Egypt, 16 months after Mubarak was ousted by a popular uprising demanding democracy. Egyptians were uncertain about Mubarak's fate, about who will succeed him and about whether his successor will have any power.

The campaign of Mubarak's former prime minister, Ahmed Shafiq, said Tuesday he has won Egypt's presidential election, countering the Muslim Brotherhood's claim of victory for its candidate, Mohammed Morsi.

The election commission is to announce the official final results on Thursday and no matter who it names as victor, his rival is likely to reject the result as a fraud. If Shafiq is declared winner in particular, it could spark an explosive backlash from the Brotherhood.

Hosni Mubarak THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Brotherhood, Egypt's most powerful political group, is already escalating its challenge against the ruling military over the generals' move this week to give themselves overwhelming authority over the next president.

Some 50,000 protesters, mostly Islamists, massed in Cairo's Tahrir Square on Tuesday evening chanting slogans in support of Morsi and denouncing the generals' power grab.

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Syria. Government ready to evacuate besieged Homs

Syria's government said Tuesday it was ready to act on a UN call to evacuate civilians trapped in the rebellious central city of Homs for more than a week, but blamed rebels for obstructing efforts to get them out.

Maj.-Gen. Robert Mood, chief of the UN observer mission in the country, has demanded that all warring parties in the conflict allow safe passage for women, children and sick people who need to leave the city and other combat zones.

Activists said shelling and clashes between rebel fighters and troops in Homs continued unabated Tuesday, underlining the difficulty in organizing any sort of evacuation. Fierce shelling was reported on the rebel-held districts of Khaldiyeh and Jouret el-Shayeh and nearby areas. Troops backed by helicopter gunships were also bombarding the town of Rastan, north of Homs, which is controlled by rebels.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights reiterated an urgent appeal for world leaders to intervene to stop the shelling that has trapped more than 1,000 families and "the systematic killings that the Syrian people in Homs are being subjected to."

A Foreign Ministry statement carried by state-run news agency SANA said the government has contacted the UN observer mission and local authorities in Homs to start efforts to bring out the trapped civilians.

"But the efforts of the UN monitors' mission failed in achieving this goal because of the armed terrorist groups' obstructions," the statement said. It charged that armed groups were using innocent civilians as "human shields."

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Trapped

Activists say around 1,000 families have been trapped by ongoing government assaults in Homs.

- The UN said Saturday its 300 observers based in Syria were suspending all missions because of concerns for their safety after fighting intensified over the previous 10 days.

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RIO+20 IS SENDING OUT

Environment. Metro talks to the Blue Marine Foundation and other experts about how to stop trashing our oceans

MICHELLE CASTILLO
Metro World News

From June 20 to 22, leaders, officials and advocates from the private and public sectors will meet in Rio de Janeiro for the United Nations' Conference on Sustainable Development, otherwise known as Rio+20. Topics up for discussion include how to solve global poverty, social inequality and the destruction of the environment.

Easy, right? Yeah, sure.

But those planning to attend say the gathering will make a difference, especially for marine advocates. "Rio can go a long way to help our oceans," says Charles Clover, chairman of the Blue Marine Foundation. His organization, which worked with Metro to put together this feature, was created in 2010, and aims to "create marine reserves and private-sector solutions in the sea, which enable fisheries to be restructured to promote sustainable fishing."

Clover says the task is a vital one because the reserves keep fish and other wildlife safe from the destruction wreaked on them almost everywhere else in the oceans by fishing fleets and problems including climate change and pollution. Fishing sustainably also means fishermen can earn a living now and in the future.

"What we really want and need from Rio," Clover says, "is a ratified system of governance for the high seas which would replace the present lack of fishing regulations. They encourage a devastating free-for-all. As part of this, we want Rio to make it possible to create marine reserves in international waters, something that just can't be done as things stand but which is desperately important."

Blue Marine not alone

Another group with an agenda for positive change is the International Ocean Institute (IOI), based in Malta. The nonprofit group hopes to convince nations at Rio to adopt policies to protect our big blue wonders.

"Perhaps Rio can be the wake-up call to the unconscionable attitude humans have toward the ocean, and that our very survival depends on bridging the governance deficit in managing our ocean," says Dr. Awni Behnam, president of IOI.

Pollution is his main concern. Behnam estimates that more than 46,000 pieces of plastic are floating in every square mile of ocean. The concentration is especially high in the North Pacific Gyre in an area known as the Great Pacific Garbage Patch.

Ocean currents push all the trash into this area, even if the pollution was deposited from other parts of the world. It's also why scientists see garbage in the most remote parts of the Arctic, more than 1,000 kilometres away from major populations.

"The human-trash problem is not just a cleanliness issue per se, but a really insidious problem," says Steve Gittings, science co-ordinator for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Marine Sanctuary Program, a U.S. government organization.

Not only does the garbage not break down, but it's also invisible, says Dr. Simon Boxall of the National Oceanography Centre. "This isn't some big pile of bags and bottles that we can go and scoop up. It's microscopic dust particles, as the bigger items break down mechanically," he says.

The overall pollution in our environment leads to climate change and ocean acidification, which occurs when the pH level rises, making the water more acidic. Dr. Scott Doney, a senior scientist of marine chemistry and geochemistry at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution in Woods Hole, Mass., says it occurs when humans burn fossil fuels, producing carbon dioxide, which is absorbed by the ocean and changes the seawater chemistry.

"There aren't any specific human health issues that have come up yet, but what's concerning is that a lot of plants and animals that people depend on appear to be sensitive to changes," Doney says.

So, to sum up...

Overfishing, pollution, climate change — heavy stuff. The key is getting governments on board to help change laws to make regulation easier. "Climate change, for example," Gittings says. "No one seems to want to step up and make the major policy decisions. It's a tricky and costly one."

Organizers hope the Rio+20 conference will provide the push governments need to take action.

Watch The End of the Line

Blue Marine Foundation co-founders George Duffield and Chris Gorell Barnes produced the award-winning documentary The End of the Line. To learn more and to watch the film, go to bluemarinefoundation.

A father and daughter survey the BP oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico. GETTY IMAGES

A man-made threat. How we create toxic algae

Watch where you throw out that empty plastic pop bottle! Up to one million seabirds and 100,000 mammals die each year from trash-related problems, the IOI says. Bags routinely choke turtles and seagulls, and if they ingest plastic pieces, it can act as a magnet for other contaminants that cause cancer.

Another issue: Hypoxia eutrophication — which has been attributed to the rise in agricultural chemicals, industrial byproducts and waste from population growth — depletes oxygen in our oceans and causes conditions for harmful algae to proliferate. As animals die and the algae use up all the available oxygen (releasing more carbon dioxide in exchange), this creates what Lisa Levin, director of the Scripps Center for Marine Biodiversity and Conservation, calls oxygen "dead zones." That's a term you never want to hear when about to go for a swim. METRO

Let's think about the impact next time we drive. THINKSTOCK

Need for speed. Drilling has us tearing up seabed

Demand for fossil fuels is driving more companies to drill for oil under the sea. Besides the noise pollution that affects animals that depend on sonar and vocalization to communicate, drilling brings in other contaminants and extra boat traffic, changing the animals' habitat.

"Deep-sea oil and gas and energy extraction already has the potential for major accidents," says Lisa Levin the Scripps Center. "Now, mining companies are set to mine precious metals in the deep ocean. They target countries with limited regulations when it comes to the deep sea."

Through current legislation has created some worldwide marine protectorates, and some countries have taken steps to protect their oceans through clean-seas acts and laws that regulate ship waste, not much will change unless people are willing to change their habits. METRO

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In need of a lifeline

Who killed all the fish?

In the 19th century, visitors to European coastal resorts were often greeted with the sight of huge skates hanging from wooden stakes along the shore, some the size of dining tables. The meat of these fish was considered too tough and rank to be eaten fresh, but a few days in the open air softened them up nicely.

Such giants are unfamiliar to modern shoppers because there are virtually none left. Even by the mid-19th century they had begun to decline as bottom trawlers dragged their nets across ever larger areas of seabed, and hook-studded longlines stretched farther.

The common skate is but one of dozens of fish that have come and gone from markets in the past century. Fisheries the world over made the revolutionary transition to engine power in about 1900, allowing boats to deploy bigger nets and fish deeper and farther offshore.

Add fast-freezing to the package — an invention of American entrepreneur Clarence Birdseye in the 1920s — and fishermen were freed to move into the haunts of exotic new species.

Rachel Carson, whose book Silent Spring started the environmental movement 50 years ago, wrote a pamphlet in 1943 urging housewives to try new fish species. Two of her picks, the rose fish and the wolf fish, enjoyed a brief boom in catches. But stocks rapidly collapsed and they are scarce today.

Orange roughy, another deepwater fish, burst onto markets in Australia and then across the world in the 1980s when huge stocks were discovered 1,000 metres down, only to collapse a few years later.

There is a good chance that a recent favourite from Antarctic waters, the Patagonian toothfish, known as Chilean seabass to North Americans, will soon follow the roughy's fate.

Elsewhere, the ongoing collapse of the bluefin tuna — the world's most expensive fish — could see them disappear from the table within a few years.

In an oft-repeated pattern, big predators such as bluefin decline quickly and are replaced by animals from lower down the food chain, like prawns and squid. In the past, we shunned these species and threw them back or used them as bait.

Some kinds of seafood have boomed, busted and made a comeback as fish farms have spread, such as oysters which were popular among common people before the end of the 19th century but in the early 20th century most stocks had collapsed from overfishing, disease and pollution. Today fresh oysters are back on the menu, as sweet and delicious as ever.

Unless overfishing is brought under control, we will see further losses of common seafood species, and many scientists predict a future in which we must eat jellyfish or plankton for want of anything else.

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The stats

17x

Fishing vessels have to put in 17 times more effort today than in 1889 to catch the same quantity of fish in U.K. waters. Source: Professor Callum Roberts, University of York, U.K.

79.7M

79.7 million tonnes of fish were caught at sea in 2009. When farmed and inland fish are taken into account, more than 145 million tonnes were produced, of which 117.8 million tonnes were eaten by people. Source: UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)

15.7%

On average, every person in the world ate 17.2 kilograms of fish in 2009. It accounted for 15.7 per cent of the global intake of animal protein. Source: FAO

4.3M

In 2009, there were 4.3 million fishing vessels worldwide. Of these, 59 per cent were powered by engines, the rest by sails or oars. Source: FAO

28%

28 per cent of the world's fisheries are over-exploited, 3 per cent are depleted and 1 per cent are recovering. 50 per cent are fully exploited but only 3 per cent are under-exploited while 12 per cent are moderately exploited. Source: FAO

24 tonnes

In Asia each fisherman produces 2.4 tonnes of fish annually. In North America the average fisherman produces 18 tonnes annually. In Europe the average fisherman produces 24 tonnes. Source: Blue Marine Foundation

The Rio+20 headlines

Among the topics to be discussed at this year's conference...

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1 Toxic oceans

Acidification and resource depletion of the world's seas will be addressed at a dedicated Oceans Day. Themes will include how to deal with disasters such as the BP Gulf of Mexico oil spill.

2 The $4-trillion question

The UN hopes to sign up 7,000 businesses to invest in clean technology that will have an estimated value of $4 trillion US.

3 Slum rehab

Host country Brazil has led the way in building economic hubs in shantytowns, establishing construction and waste-management groups. Other nations will explore ways to solve poverty and develop infrastructure.

4 BRIC party

This year's conference is driven by Brazil, Russia, India and China — the newly advanced economies known collectively as BRIC. It's an opportunity for new players to gain influence.

5 Collapse?

At press time, only 20 per cent of the Rio+20 draft text agreement had been finalized, amid reports of deep divisions, which led WWF director Jim Leape to predict either a "meaningless agreement or complete collapse."

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THE PRINCE OF WALES

In an exclusive column before Rio+20, Prince Charles shares what he's learned from his sustainability unit and offers a prescription for the future: "Seeing is believing," he urges

'REBUILD FISH STOCKS AND PREVENT FUTURE EXPLOITATION'

It is all too easy to believe that news on the state of fish stocks amounts to a relentless counsel of doom, but, fortunately, there is a more positive story emerging, and it gives me considerable hope.

Research conducted by my International Sustainability Unit (I.S.U.) reveals that, in many parts of the world, positive steps are being taken to establish a much more sustainable way of managing these vital self-renewing resources.

In 2008, developing countries exported about $27 billion worth of fish. Fishing supports the livelihoods of more than 120 million people, and one billion people rely on fish as their main source of protein. So it is important to see that what many call an environmental problem is also an economic and social one. As long as there are fish to catch, many millions of people enjoy job security and the social cohesion that comes from that.

And it could get better. The World Bank recently estimated that an extra $50 billion a year could come from annual catches if better management was put in place. So what needs to be done? Analysis by my I.S.U. team has shown that many examples of better practice around the world are underpinned by three broad factors. First, they have all been implemented with the understanding that fish don't exist in isolation from the environments that sustain them.

There are many tools available to help manage fish stocks in ways that respect ecosystems — things like improving fishing gear, protecting stocks during spawning, setting aside protected areas or taking a precautionary approach to exploitation.

The second characteristic is the creation of well-designed rules for intelligent fishing that are enforced robustly. This includes proper monitoring and appropriate penalties to deter illegal fishing.

Finally, there is sound economics. Good management of fish stocks is rewarded with secure and decent livelihoods for those who do the fishing. There are several ways in which this can be achieved.

One would be improving labelling to encourage consumers to demand more sustainable seafood. Another is the establishment of appropriate long-term rights that give fishers a stake in the future of their fishing grounds.

It seems to me that it would also make a tremendous difference if official subsidies really focused on supporting socially and environmentally positive activities. All too often, better ways of doing things are inadvertently penalized by how subsidy systems work.

I find it encouraging that there are many examples of positive progress, from the U.S. to Indonesia and from Iceland to Vietnam, where fishing communities are adopting the approaches needed to rebuild fish stocks. Where this happens, stocks recover and communities reap the benefits. The urgent questions, it seems to me, are how can these examples of best practice be spread and how quickly can this be done?

One powerful way to do this is through a process I have employed for many years in other sectors — what might be called "seeing is believing." This, simply put, involves inspiring people to change their behaviour through showing them what is already being done through successful examples of best practice. My hope is that my I.S.U. can play a small role in this.

Genuine multi-stakeholder partnerships must urgently be pursued to introduce best practice sustainable fisheries management to all corners of the world. Everyone can play their part, including consumers. They can become more aware of the choices they make and ensure the fish on their plates is sustainably sourced. When you consider that the alternative is the continued decline of the world's fish stocks, I fear that we really have no other choice.

His agenda

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The future of airports

Attention, travellers. Your tedious airport waits may be replaced with waits at the spa or checkout line

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Language classes, plastic surgery, and interactive museums. Oh, and flights too. Welcome to the airport of the future.

According to a new report released by forecasting firm Fast Future, the trend is to turn airports into destinations in their own right.

"Airports are trying to grow their relationships with the passengers," notes Rohit Talwar, CEO of Fast Future and author of the report on airports in 2025.

By 2025, airports will indeed offer cosmetic surgery, predicts Talwar. Many are already offering services that have little to do with the lackluster tax-free shops travellers are used to.

"Airports are like medieval cathedrals," says Richard Nicholls, editorial director at the Future Foundation, a British think tank. "They have an architectural quality that you don't see anywhere else, and they define a city. But why should customers abandon their expectations when they enter the airport? The airports have discovered that there's a new market."

Singapore's Changi airport features a fish spa, a butterfly garden and city tours. Munich's airport has a traditional Christmas market. Orly and Charles de Gaulle in Paris offer cooking classes, while Chicago's O'Hare has a vertical farm that feeds its visitors. Not to be outdone, Amsterdam's Schiphol recently unveiled a "city park" featuring natural light and animal sounds, while Helsinki features an "@home" lounge, made to look like a Finnish home, complete with Finnish design and shelves full of books. Guests can even borrow wool socks.

"We want our visitors to feel like they're visiting a friendly Finnish family," explains airport spokesman Mikko Saariaho.

Our own Pearson Airport is planning to install free tethered iPads in waiting areas so that travellers can surf the web, check flight status or order a guaranteed fast meal.

Nicholls notes that "air travellers are a captive audience. Local leaders are realizing that airports are a great opportunity to show off how great their city is."

But transit hubs have no plans to stop there.

"Airports are trying to expand their customer base," explains Talwar. "They want to become a place where non-travellers go, too. Some regional airports will try to restyle themselves as outlets, while others will turn themselves into fashion centres."

Goodbye dreary airport waits? "It's a great idea for airports, since people are willing to spend more there than on their regular Saturday morning shopping," says Nicholls. "When you're at an airport, you want to indulge yourself."

Now if we could only get to the airport on time.

What flight?

"Airports want to become a place for non-travellers, too. Some regional airports will try to restyle themselves as outlets."

Rohit Talwar, CEO of Fast Future

Analysis

Travel a 'democratic process': Retail expert

As far as shoppers are concerned, how can airports improve?

More variety — of categories, brands, price points, services — will really help. Heathrow Terminal 5 in the U.K. and Kingsford Smith Airport in Sydney, Australia, are great examples. They can also offer more customized cultural variety. For example, in Dubai, the airport shops include places to buy gold.

Are airports on the right track in adding more upscale shops and dining as well as leisure activities?

Yes they are, but it can't only be upscale offerings. Travel has now become a very democratic process. And really smart travel retailers recognize that. As with traditional retail, it means understanding and following the attitudes and lifestyles of your shoppers or travelling shoppers.

If the security issues are solved, can airports become shopping destinations?

Only if they are really different from what's available at the local mall.

WENDY LIEBMANN, CEO AND CHIEF SHOPPER
Strategic Retail

Airports: Now, tomorrow, and the future

SOURCE: AMADEUS REINVENTING THE AIRPORT ECOSYSTEM 2012
GRAPHIC: MIA KORAB

Available now

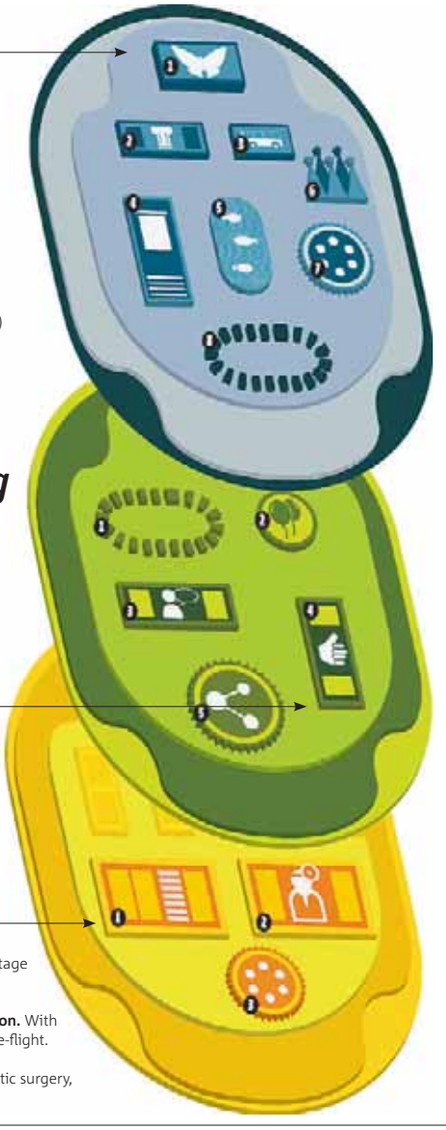
1. **Butterfly gardens.** (Changi)
2. **Cooking classes.** (Paris, Orly, Charles de Gaulle airports)
3. **Free city tours.** (Changi)
4. **Authentic local leisure activities.** e.g. genuine Finnish sauna (Helsinki airport)
5. **Fish spa.** (Changi)
6. **Christmas market.** (Munich)
7. **Traditional culture workshops.** (Incheon)
8. **Art zone.** (Changi)

Pioneers adopting by 2015

1. **Interactive museum areas**
2. **Entertainers at gate waiting area.** For longer queues.
3. **Language classes**
4. **Immersive experiences**
5. **Vacation packages.** Allowing you to live as a local (on arrival).

In routine use by 2025

1. **Immersive technology.** Enabling personalization of the local experience, tailoring to specific interests such as heritage or shopping.
2. **Airport becomes a resort-style destination.** With minimal space for holding passengers pre-flight.
3. **Day / overnight surgery centre.** e.g. plastic surgery, dentistry, laser vision correction.



Top-rated airports 2012

1. Seoul Incheon International
2. Singapore Changi
3. Hong Kong International
4. Amsterdam Schiphol
5. Beijing Capital International
6. Munich
7. Zurich
8. Kuala Lumpur International
9. Vancouver International
10. Central Japan International

SOURCE: WORLD AIRPORT AWARDS

Don't miss your flight! Singapore's airport features a butterfly garden. SAMANTHA LEE

Singapore. Garden City offers butterfly sanctuary

In addition to its butterfly garden — with some 1,000 butterflies — Changi Airport in Singapore features a cactus garden, an orchid garden, a sunflower garden, a fern garden and "piazza gardens," which were added this year.

"Singapore is known as the Garden City, famous for its beautiful gardens and plants," Changi spokeswoman Samantha Lee tells Metro. "At Changi, we want our passengers to start experiencing the lush landscaping that our country is famous for."

The gardens, including the airport's own plant nursery, are managed by 11 full-time horticulturists. Some 100 garden staff are responsible for maintaining the green spaces. And the butterflies have their own staff.

"We take special care of them with measures such as providing flowering plants and fruit to ensure that the garden remains close to their natural habitat," explains Lee.

"Since we bring in the butterflies from the pupa stage, we care for them by spraying water constantly to keep the living conditions in a humid state for optimal growth. The pupas are kept in a cage that is designed to keep out predators such as lizards and ants."

METRO WORLD NEWS

Suu Kyi says time alone won't heal Myanmar

London visit. Leader of opposition says progress depends on acknowledging the wrongs of the past

Myanmar opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi celebrated her 67th birthday Tuesday at the start of a week-long visit to Britain, telling hundreds of students and academics that time alone will not heal the wounds of her country.

Suu Kyi's first public event was a debate at the London School of Economics on how Myanmar can move to the rule of law, a reminder of the tough road ahead for the leader of the Southeast Asian country's reform movement.

She said that "the progress that we hope to make with regard to democratization and reform depends so much on an understanding of the importance of the rule of law."

Myanmar opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

"Unless we can amend the constitution to harmonize with the aspirations of all the people in our country, we will never be able to bring about the kind of unity and peace that we all desire," she said.

Suu Kyi, who is on her first overseas trip since 1988, received a standing ovation as she took the stage during the panel discussion. Most in the crowd had come to hear her speak. But she listened intently to the academics and lawyers who appeared alongside her.

Suu Kyi has a long association with Britain, but she has not visited for 24 years. She spent much of that time under house arrest in Myanmar.

On Wednesday, Oxford University will present her with an honorary degree that it awarded in 1993 but that she was not free to collect.

Suu Kyi was kept under house arrest by Myanmar's rulers for 15 years, and was freed in 2010. She decided to visit Europe after the Myanmar government assured her that she will not be blocked from returning home.

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Freed: Student whose webcam spied on a gay kiss

Rutgers University tragedy. Student who was 'outed' killed himself soon after, sparking furor over gay bullying

An Indian-born former university student who was convicted of webcam spying that led to a suicide was released from jail Tuesday.

Dharun Ravi, 20, a former Rutgers University student, had served 20 days of a 30-day sentence.

Ravi's webcam caught roommate Tyler Clementi kissing another man.

Ravi told others about it in person, in texts, instant messages and tweets

Days later, Clementi, 18, committed suicide.

The case sparked a furor over gay bullying.

Webcam spy Dharun Ravi walks out of jail in New Brunswick, N.J., on Tuesday.
MEL EVANS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ravi was not charged with the death, but he was convicted earlier this year of 15 criminal counts.

The 30 days in jail was far less than the 10-year prison sentence Ravi could have received.

He still faces three years of probation, plus more than $11,000 in fines and assessments, 300 hours of community service and counselling.

Federal immigration authorities said Monday that Ravi will not be deported to his native India. He lived there until he was five years old and remains a citizen, though he is in the United States legally.

Foreign citizens convicted of crimes in the U.S. can face deportation — usually after they complete their prison or jail terms.

Ravi's supporters, particularly from the Indian community, argued for leniency in part to make it less likely that he would be deported.

Ravi reported to jail in New Jersey on May 31, though he could have remained free while his case is appealed. He did not stop to speak with the media when he was released.

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On stilts no less! 150 years before Nik Wallenda there was daredevil Charles Blondin

About 150 years before wire walker Nik Wallenda crossed Niagara Falls, a Victoria, B.C., woman's relative was walking a tightrope across the Niagara Gorge — on stilts.

"He did it on a hemp rope," said Linda Seabrook, the great-great-great-granddaughter of daredevil Charles Blondin.

Wallenda made the crossing in Niagara Falls last Friday to televised audience of millions.

Despite his protests, he was strapped to the wire with a harness at the request of ABC television.

Seabrook says that, unlike Wallenda, her ancestor walked across the Niagara River without a safety net multiple times.

She says he was best known for his theatrics on the tightrope.

He once made the crossing blindfolded. Another time he carried his manager on his back. He even cooked an entire omelette, and ate it while sitting down on the rope.

ELIZABETH HAMES/FOR METRO

Charles Blondin carrying his manager, Harry Colcord, on a tightrope. COURTESY OF CREATIVE COMMONS

'The Great Blondin'

He was born in 1840s France as Jean-Francois Gravelet, but he adopted Charles Blondin as his stage name. Blondin's parents enrolled him in an acrobatics school.

- Seabrook said the daredevil gene hasn't descended to her. She is an accountant.
- Touring he became "The Great Blondin."

Healthy ice cream for dogs

Paolo, right, serves Kiyoko ice cream in a pet shop in Rome on Monday. Gelato for dogs contains no milk products harmful to canines. With temperatures in Rome topping 36 C, dogs are lapping up the icy treat from pet supply stores. ANDREW MEDICHINI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Berlin. Dutch man who claimed memory loss faces fraud investigation

Tough times may be ahead for the Dutch man who claimed for months he was a teenager with memory loss who had been living in woods outside Berlin.

Police said Tuesday they've opened a fraud investigation against Robin van Helsum. Berlin youth authorities are tallying the costs of nine months care and want it back.

Van Helsum's story fell apart last week after he was identified from a photograph police put out.

He admitted fabricating a story his parents were dead and not knowing who he was. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

This photo from the Berlin police shows a teen who claimed he lived in the forest and had memory loss. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Romanian PM

Plagiarism charge

Romania's prime minister Victor Ponta is said to have copied large swaths of his doctoral thesis without proper attribution. About half was plagiarized, says Nature magazine. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Against Islam

Malaysia bans Canadian's book

A Borders bookstore manager in Malaysia has been charged with distributing a Canadian writer's book that was banned. The book is Allah, Liberty and Love. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Israel

Al-Qaida-inspired group claims attack

A shadowy group claiming ties to al-Qaida said Tuesday that it carried out a deadly cross-border attack in Israel, the strongest evidence to date to back Israeli claims that the global terror network is operating on its doorstep. Following Monday's attack, Israel carried out a series of airstrikes on militant targets in Gaza. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Drones

U.S. poised to prove Orwell right

Thousands of drones patrolling U.S. skies?

Predictions that multitudes of unmanned aircraft could be flying here within a decade are raising the spectre of a "surveillance society" in which no home or backyard would be off limits to prying eyes overhead.

Law enforcement, oil companies, farmers, real estate agents and many others have seen the technology that was pioneered on battlefields, and they are eager to put it to use.

It's not just talk: The government is in the early stages of devising rules for the unmanned aircraft.

So far, civilian use of drones is fairly limited. The Federal Aviation Administration had issued fewer than 300 permits for drones by the end of last year. Public worries about drones began mostly on the political margins, but there are signs that they're going mainstream. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Appeals court

Convicted B.C. murderers have appeal rejected

A Washington state appeals court has rejected the arguments of two British Columbia men serving life terms for killing a Seattle-area family. Sebastian Burns and Atif Rafay were convicted for the July 1994 slayings of Rafay's parents and disabled sister. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Puerto Rican cops accused of corruption

Policing the police. American Civil Liberties Union issues scathing report citing human rights abuses, injustice

The American Civil Liberties Union called on the U.S. Justice Department to take control of the Puerto Rican police force and ensure reforms are carried out in a report issued Tuesday that says the department's officers routinely use excessive force, killing at least 21 people in the past two years.

The ACLU says the department, the second-largest municipal police force among U.S. jurisdictions, has failed to address corruption, mismanagement and human rights abuses outlined in a scathing 2011 Department of Justice report. Puerto Rico's government had acknowledged problems with the department and agreed to undertake reforms.

"These abuses do not represent isolated incidents or aberrant behaviour by a few rogue officers," the report said. "Such police brutality is pervasive and systemic, island-wide and ongoing."

Police Chief Hector Pesquera dismissed the report in an interview with radio station WAPA. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Report

Between 2005 and 2010, more than 1,700 officers were arrested.

- The number represents nearly 10 per cent of the police force and is nearly three times the number of officers arrested in a comparable five-year period in the New York Police Department, which has more than twice as many officers.

Stars before the storm

Turkish Stars, the Turkish army's aerobic team, perform with their supersonic jets over a military base in Konya, Turkey, Tuesday. Kurdish rebels attacked Turkish military units with mortars and rocket-propelled grenades Tuesday in the Daglica area of Hakkari province, sparking clashes that killed eight soldiers and 18 rebels. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Planning applications: Temporary Use By-law for the Pan Am Games Athletes' Village and Official Plan Amendment to remove lands west of the Don River, from the Lower Don Special Policy Area

Community Consultation Meeting

The City is holding a Community Consultation meeting where you can learn more about these applications, ask questions and share your comments.

Date: Wednesday June 27, 2012
Times: 6:00-7:00 Open House
7:00-8:00 Meeting 1 - Temporary Use By-law (Pan Am Athlete's Village)
8:00-9:00 Meeting 2 - Removal of Lower Don Special Policy Area (SPA)
Place: The Distillery District's Fermenting Cellar, 28 Distillery Lane

Open House (6:00-7:00 pm)
We are holding an Open House and then meetings on two separate applications related to the West Don Lands.

Meeting 1 (7:00-8:00 pm)
Discuss the Temporary Use By-law for the Athletes' Village of the 2015 Pan/Parapan American Games. Preliminary Report: toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2012/te/bgrd/backgroundfile-47432.pdf

Meeting 2 (8:00-9:00 pm)
Discuss the removal of the Special Policy Area for the flood plain west of the Don River once the Flood Protection Landform is completed. Preliminary Report: toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2012/te/bgrd/backgroundfile-47458.pdf

To speak to the planner directly, contact **Heather Inglis Baron,** at (416) 392-0420 **or** hinglis@toronto.ca. You may mail your comments to the planner at: **100 Queen St W, 19E, Toronto ON, M5H 2N2.**

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Report shows wait times worsening

Wait Times Alliance. Decline in performance in imaging, hip and knee replacement, radiation for cancer, heart bypass and cataract surgery

After several years of progress, it appears some provinces are slipping in their quest to reduce the time it takes to receive a number of benchmark medical treatments.

Part of the slide can be attributed to hospitals being overcrowded by elderly patients with dementia — a problem that can only get worse as the population ages, said a report from the Wait Times Alliance issued Tuesday.

"Canada needs a national dementia strategy that formally integrates the functions of primary care, specialist care and home-care services with a strong focus on keeping seniors in the community, out of the emergency department and out of hospital," the alliance recommended. It showed a decline in performance for patients in the five priority areas: imaging, hip and knee replacement, radiation for cancer, cataract and heart bypass surgery.

Longer waits for key services

"Although some provinces have shown improvement, the overall results point toward lengthier waits."

Report from the Wait Times Alliance.

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Patients line up at the emergency room at Montreal's Sacre Coeur Hospital. A report released Tuesday says there's been a slide backward on wait times, partly because of overcrowded hospitals. PAUL CHIASSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Greece. Coalition government could take over by Wednesday

A coalition government could be formed by mid-Wednesday in Greece, the head of the country's socialist party said Tuesday, easing the nation out of a political limbo as it struggles to deal with a financial crisis that is already affecting Europe's economy and markets around the world.

Evangelos Venizelos' socialist PASOK party came third in Sunday's elections. At the core of any administration will be Antonis Samaras' conservative New Democracy party, which came first in Sunday's vote and won 129 of Parliament's 300 seats — short of the 151 needed to govern alone.

Venizelos, who handled Greece's negotiations with its international creditors for several months last year as finance minister, said the government would have the support of the election winner, PASOK and the small Democratic Left party of Fotis Kouvelis, which won 17 seats.

His party, he said, "will support this government sincerely and will participate in it in the most beneficial way in order to make it effective and credible."

PASOK would convene its deputies Wednesday morning to define exactly how the party would participate in the government, he said.

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A woman walks next to graffiti in central Athens on Tuesday. A coalition government could be formed by Wednesday. AP PHOTO

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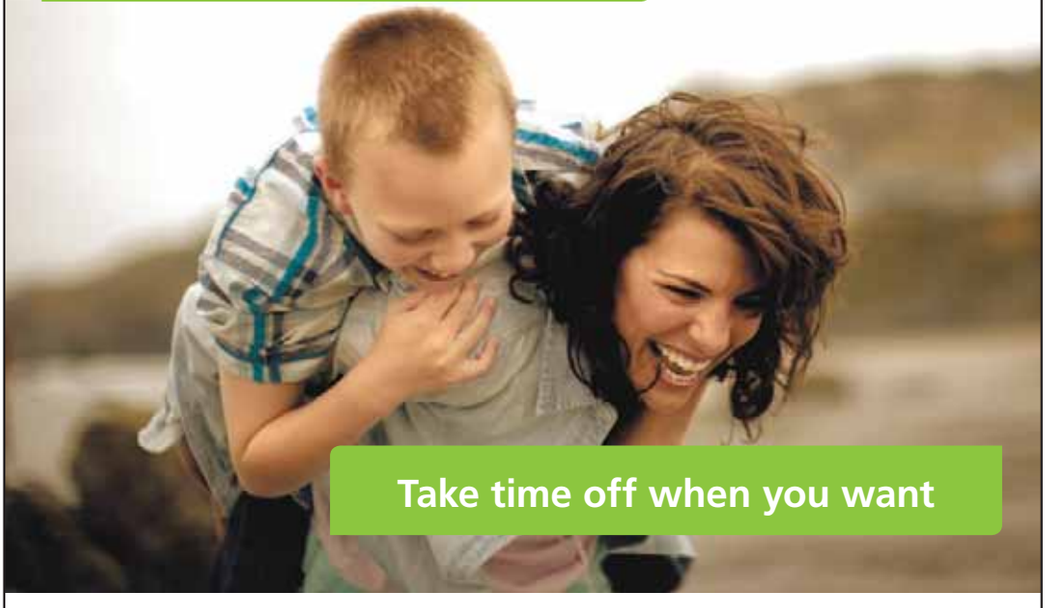

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Canada leaves G20 with invite to join trade talks

Prime Minister Stephen Harper speaks at a news conference following the G20 Summit in Los Cabos, Mexico, on Tuesday. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Summit ends. World leaders call on Europe to take action on eurozone's continuing financial crisis

Prime Minister Stephen Harper leaves the G20 summit in Mexico with an invite to pull up a chair at major trade talks, and newfound confidence that Europe will take bold action to get its economic house in order.

The two-day summit closed Tuesday with leaders of the world's 20 most important economies urging their European counterparts to break the vicious circle of debt-burdened banks and cash-strapped countries.

Even though Europe was at the top of everyone's mind at the summit, behind the scenes Canadian officials were trying to wrap up a long-standing negotiation with the Americans.

Canadian officials met late into Monday night with representatives from the United States. The prime minister followed up Tuesday morning with a one-on-one meeting with U.S. President Barack Obama.

Harper then announced Canada has been asked to sit at the negotiating table for the proposed Trans-Pacific Partnership.

"Opening new markets and creating new business opportunities leads to jobs, growth and long-term prosperity for all Canadians," the prime minister said in a statement.

The announcement came a day after G20 host nation Mexico was invited to join the talks.

Nine countries are currently negotiating a free-trade pact that many feel will have more economic strength than the North American Free Trade Agreement.

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Quoted

"A TPP agreement will ... provide greater economic opportunity for Canadians."

Prime Minister Stephen Harper, on Canada joining the Trans-Pacific Partnership talks

Report. World's richest saw wealth slip in 2011

Sellers of private jets, exotic sports cars and yachts to cruise the world may be feeling a pinch as the one per cent took a hit last year, albeit a small one.

The turmoil on the financial markets and economic uncertainty took its toll on the world's richest who saw their overall financial wealth dip 1.7 per cent in 2011, according to a report Tuesday by Capgemini and RBC Wealth Management.

The drop for those with investable assets of $1 million US or more, excluding their primary residence and other certain assets, was the first decline since the 2008 financial crisis when it dropped 19.5 per cent.

The report said the number of high-net-worth individuals increased by 0.8 per cent to 11 million in 2011, compared with a gain of 8.3 per cent in 2010. THE CANADIAN PRESS

By the numbers

2.5%

The report found that the number of people with $30 million US or more in investable assets fell 2.5 per cent last year.

Bombardier. CSeries on track to fly this year

Bombardier's new CSeries aircraft is not facing any major production delays that should prevent it from making its maiden flight by year-end, the Quebec-based plane and train maker said Tuesday.

"Yes, the CSeries program is on track," said Mike Arcamone, president of commercial aircraft, adding that Bombardier has found no serious problems that would thwart delivery of the first CSeries aircraft by the end of 2013.

"We are exactly where we want to be with 11 customers and 317 orders," he said.

Arcamone said Bombardier would like to have 20 to 30 customers from around the world by launch, including more leasing companies. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Ready for takeoff

"We're very well pleased with our overall results."

Bob Saia of Pratt & Whitney, on the company's new turbofan engine, which will be used in the CSeries aircraft.

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Gen Y Canadians splurging on luxuries: Report

Purchasing power. Demographic integral to business growth as older generations start to exit the market

Young and trendy members of Generation Y are outspending older Canadians in the luxury markets for fashion, travel and fine dining, according to a report released Tuesday.

The American Express Business Insights report, based on spending data collected from 2009 to 2011, found that Canada's luxury segment has been more resilient to economic uncertainty than markets in Europe and the U.S., dominated by demand from younger people.

"Optimism amongst Canadians appears to be on the rise as luxury spending increased," the credit-card company said in a release.

"What has proven most surprising is that in a soft job market, younger Canadians are dominating Canadian luxury spending growth in the core areas of fashion, travel and fine dining."

Luxury spending among young people has increased in recent years even as they face piles of debt from more schooling than prior generations, weak job prospects and an unemployment rate that is about twice the national average.

The findings also suggest the Canadian luxury segment was less impacted during the height of the economic downturn and recovered more quickly than in the U.S. and Europe, which have yet to return to pre-recessionary spending levels in the market.

Canada's luxury segment was down about nine per cent in 2009, compared to a 14 per cent decline in the U.S. and 10 per cent drop in Europe.

"What we've seen in Canada is that, even during economic uncertainty, consumers are not shying away from luxury spending," said Colin Temple, vice-president and general manager of merchant services at American Express Canada.

Meanwhile, older generations that once dominated the luxury market showed a slowdown in spending growth over the same period.

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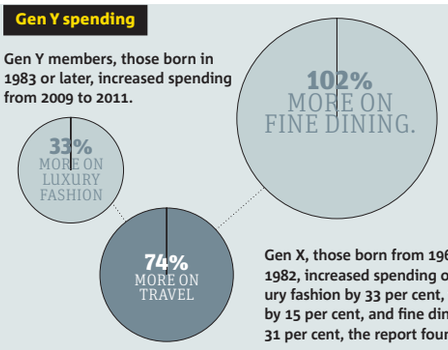
Gen Y spending

Gen Y members, those born in 1983 or later, increased spending from 2009 to 2011.



Gen X, those born from 1965 to 1982, increased spending on luxury fashion by 33 per cent, travel by 15 per cent, and fine dining by 31 per cent, the report found.

Cost-of-living survey. Toronto judged most expensive city in Canada

A new global survey rates Toronto and Vancouver as among the most expensive cities in North America for expatriates locating there.

The new Mercer cost of living survey places Toronto at No. 61 and Vancouver at No. 63 among 214 world cities assessed in cost of living for expatriates.

Only New York at No. 33 is more expensive in North America.

But North America remains relatively cheap by world standards, beaten by cities in Japan, Asia, Europe, Russia, South America, Australia and Africa.

The top three spots went to Tokyo, Luanda, Angola and Osaka, Japan. The least expensive city is Karachi, Pakistan, assessed as less than one-third as expensive as Tokyo.

Other Canadian cities to make the list were Montreal at 87, Calgary at 92 and Ottawa, the least expensive of the group, at 115.

The survey, conducted annually, measures the comparative costs of over 200 items, including housing, transport, food, clothing and more.

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Alberta premier Alison Redford. JASON FRANSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Energy. Alberta looks to boost uses of natural gas

Alberta's premier says the province is looking at ways to boost the use of natural gas, including using it as a transportation fuel, at a time when dismal prices have been pinching producers as well as government coffers.

"This is part of the direction we need to go in, because the circumstances have changed to the point where these decisions, that can be made on behalf of government, start to make economic sense — for us and for industry," Alison Redford told a conference on unconventional natural gas Tuesday.

Redford concedes there are barriers to the idea, including the great expense of building refuelling infrastructure and the high purchase price of vehicles that can run on natural gas.

"It's time for us to have these conversations," Redford said.

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Market Minute

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OIL $84.03 US (+76¢)

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Natural gas: $2.545 US (-9¢)
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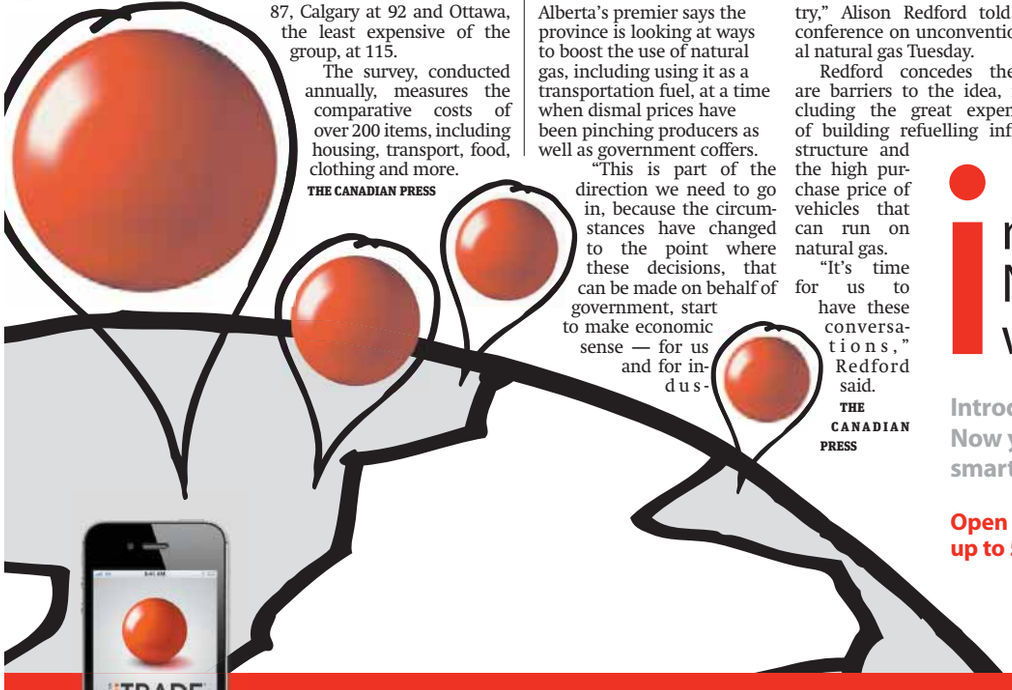
Real-time tracking

Nav Canada joins satellite venture

Air traffic services provider Nav Canada is teaming up with a U.S. satellite company in a joint venture that will allow air traffic authorities to track airplanes in real time to help improve safety and fuel efficiency.

Nav Canada said Tuesday it will be a partner in a planned joint venture called Aireon, along with satellite company Iridium Communications Inc. The joint venture will also have the support of the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration.

Satellite tracking will be particularly important over oceans, where the reach of radar is limited, said Nav Canada president and CEO John Crichton. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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YOU HAD ME AT 330 POUNDS

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Open letter to Rob Ford, mayor of Toronto:

OK, as PR campaigns go, Cut the Waist collapsed under its own weight.

It's hard enough pledging to lose 50 pounds in five months, never mind with the whole nation looking on and making fun.

And then, whenever you do turn up to weigh in, a bunch of media jackals pound you with rude questions about transit and budgets.

It's even harder when you fall off the scale on the final weigh-in, 33 pounds from your goal, as the peanut gallery laughs even harder.

We can all relate, Rob

"In fact, according to the United Nations, three-quarters of North Americans are overweight. You're not alone."

But I want you to know: You're my inspiration, Big Guy.

Look, you're not the mayor of Toronto because you're the intellectual heir to Albert Einstein. You're the mayor of Toronto because regular people can relate to you. And regular people struggle with their weight. In fact, according to the United Nations, three-quarters of North Americans are overweight.

You're not alone.

Take me, for instance. I'm a meat yo-yo. I find it easy to lose weight … and I find it even easier to put it back on again. In January, when you joined your brother Doug and pledged to lose 50 pounds, I was 40 pounds overweight and contemplating a trip to Mr. Big and Tall for a wardrobe upgrade.

I figured if the Big Guy could wrap his meaty paw around a stick of celery, well, so could I. And as you took the heat, I got out of the kitchen. Since January, I've lost 31 pounds and "Freedom 40" is in sight. Plus I've managed to get on and off the scale without injuring myself. Bonus.

Although I've managed to keep my jaw shut at key moments, it hasn't been easy. You were subject to ridicule when you were discovered slinking out of KFC. Let me say that I am haunted daily by KFC. I could eat a whole family bucket of that stuff and then hit the fries and gravy.

And it's not just KFC. That A&W Root Bear relentlessly pursues me with discount coupons. And every day at quittin' time, the hungriest time, I have to walk past the best pizza joint on the planet and all those succulent slices laid out on the slab. The aroma alone is fattening.

The glass is half empty, and that's a good thing. You're 13 pounds lighter than you were in January. You proved to yourself and the rest of Fat City that you can lose weight if you put your mind to it.

Keep going. Do it for yourself, and no one else.

And I'll see you on the skinny side.

Toronto Mayor Rob Ford had his final weigh in Monday, where he missed his weight-loss target by 33 pounds and then fell off the scale.
PAWEL DWULIT/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Saved by royal appointment

GETTY IMAGES

Rhino conservation

Prince condemns horn poachers

In a rare interview, Prince William has condemned people involved in the illegal trade of rhino horns as "extremely ignorant, selfish and utterly wrong." He was speaking in Port Lympne Wild Animal Park in Ashford, Kent, southeast England, to meet three endangered black rhinos before they were reintroduced into the wild in Tanzania. METRO

The Prince's speech

- **It's all about education.** "My message to them is simply 'Stop'.... It's a message about educating people and understanding that when you buy that rhino horn, or when you buy that ivory, you are taking this from an animal that has been slaughtered for this decorative ornament you have on your mantelpiece and you have at home — is that really what you desire and what you feel is right in the world?"

Rhinos in numbers

4,800

black rhinos are left in the wild in Africa, with experts saying the animal is being slaughtered at the rate of two a day.

Illegal trade

Demand puts rhinos on brink

Black rhinoceros, native to eastern and central areas of Africa, have been poached to the brink of extinction due to the demand for their horn, both for use in Chinese traditional medicine and for traditional Yemeni dagger handles. Experts estimate that around 95 per cent of the black rhino population has been lost. A single horn can fetch $250,000 US. METRO

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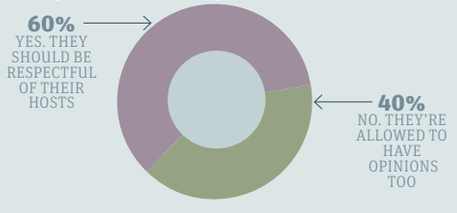

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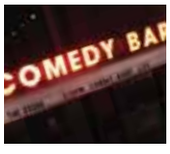

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Brave tells the story of a Celtic princess who rebels against her mother. Scottish actress Kelly Macdonald voices Merida, the film's anti-princess. DISNEY/PIXAR/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Fairy tale revamp: Damsels in distress a thing of the past

Brave girls. The new generation of movie princesses do so much more than wait for Prince Charming to save the day

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When one thinks about movie princesses a few names come top of mind: Snow White, Cinderella, Aurora and Belle. This fab four have come to define what being a movie princess is all about. Or at least they used to.

Once upon a time a movie princess was a damsel in distress, swathed in pink and jewels, waiting for Prince Charming to come to the rescue.

Lately, however, the movies have given us a different kind of princess, one who is more into grrrl-power than girly-girl.

Mark Andrews, the co-director of this weekend's cinema release Brave, the story of a Celtic princess who rebels against her mother, calls the movie's lead character "an anti-princess."

"She's an active and action-oriented person," he says. "She wants to get out in the outdoors of the Highlands, escaping from castle life and exploring the woods."

Brave isn't the first movie to shatter the stereotype of the pretty pink princess.

According to Roger Ebert, Ariel, the teenage mermaid princess of The Little Mermaid, "is a fully realized female character who thinks and acts independently, even rebelliously, instead of hanging around passively while the fates decide her destiny."

In other words, she still marries her prince charming, but for the first time a Disney princess gave a lesson in independence and had a hand (or fin) in deciding her fate.

The success of that movie led to a new batch of princesses who were empowered and could look after themselves and others.

Pocahontas was an adventurous princess who put her own life at risk to stop a war between her people, the Powhatans, and the British settlers, and the fiery Mulan broke gender boundaries by enlisting in the army and saving China from total devastation at the hands of the Huns.

Jasmine, the daughter of the wealthy Sultan of Agrabah and the princess at the heart of Aladdin, didn't fight off invaders but she did do something that made her unique in the Disney princess world.

Tired of life in the royal palace, instead of waiting for rescue, the independently minded noblewoman made her own way, even deciding to marry a commoner rather than a prince.

But not all anti-princesses are animated.

The recent mega-flop John Carter featured Martian Princess Dejah Thoris (Lynn Collins) who, despite falling for the prince charming title character, was also a warrior and a scientist who wasn't afraid to stand up for things she believed in.

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Scene in brief

Ever wanted to see Shia LaBeouf naked?

If Sigur Ros' new video were a movie, it might merit an NC-17 rating. For the band's clip of Fjogur Piano released Monday, Transformers star Shia LaBeouf appears naked. Alma Har'el directed the video. It is part of a series being created for the band's latest album Valtari. The video also features female nudity, dancing, an octopus, lollipops and trippy images. Band bassist Georg Holm said the director and LaBeouf collaborated on the idea for it. Holm described it as "absolutely amazing." Videos don't come with ratings. But the Sigur Ros video does have a warning for its content before it begins. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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History gets a bloody makeover in Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter

Take that, Twilight. Film gives a unique twist on the civil war as the 16th U.S. president makes it his mission to eliminate deadly blood suckers

MICHELLE CASTILLO
Metro World News

Benjamin Walker portraying Abraham Lincoln, left, and Dominic Cooper as Henry Sturgis in a scene from Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter. (STEPHEN VAUGHAN/20TH CENTURY FOX/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Despite the fact that Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter makes some bold claims about the "real" life of the 16th U.S. president, author and screenwriter Seth Grahame-Smith took painstaking effort to make sure the film was as historically accurate as possible.

Well, except for the parts with the fangs.

"In the opening of the movie, there's a quote that says 'History prefers legends to men,'" Grahame-Smith explained to Metro. "That's the truth: We've made Lincoln a legend, and we forgot that he was also a man. This film deals much more with the man of Lincoln than the myth or the legend."

While the movie's title Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter is certainly absurd, the cast and crew of the film insist that the jokes end there. Instead of turning the project into a spoof of U.S. history, the film emphasizes the flaws that made Lincoln such a great humanitarian.

Producer Tim Burton and director Timur Bekmambetov (Wanted) use the backdrop of the Civil War to weave an action-filled tale about how one poor individual with a life full of tragedy could become one of America's most respected men.

Bekmambetov explained foremost this movie is about the boy who would become Lincoln and the personal motivations that led him to change the course of history. In a way, the director points out, it's not just a historically based film — it's a superhero movie.

"It's not about vampires," Bekmambetov said. "This is the most important part: When you see a young boy, and suddenly he becomes Lincoln and emotionally you understand it."

"It's the most powerful special effect of the movie," he added.

Grahame-Smith agrees.

"What was the cool thing about having a Russian director make this movie was he didn't bring in any of that sort of emotional baggage to it," Grahame-Smith said. "He was able to approach Lincoln as a man before a myth."

Keeping with being as accurate as possible, the team decided to shoot the film in 3D because of actual 3D photos from the Civil War era they had uncovered from their research. Bekmambetov saw it as a way to bring people in the middle of all the action.

"Based on those photographs, it just seems completely obvious and the right tool for this particular production. It brings you there. And, again it was very clear from these photographs it was exactly the way to go," Burton explained.

But, it's hard to deny that Lincoln's axe-wielding skills and ability to slice off people's heads with one blow is what drew people's attention in the first place. It's the element of the fantastical that changes this regular history lesson into something a bit more interesting.

"Nobody has made this kind of movie before," Bekmambetov claimed. "There's no way the audience can say, 'No, I saw this many times.' No, we don't have this problem."

Actor's tale of two presidents

MICHELLE CASTILLO
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Bloodied vampire hunter Abraham Lincoln readies for battle with Vadoma (Erin Wasson). CONTRIBUTED

Playing a president always piques the public's attention, and actor Benjamin Walker has not one executive role, but two under his belt.

In Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter, the Julliard-trained actor plays the instrumental leader himself from the age of 19 to his death at 55. Here's what Walker really thought about the script and why he's so good at handling an axe.

So you played Andrew Jackson in the Broadway musical Bloody Bloody Andrew Jackson and now you're playing Abraham Lincoln.
Yeah, I got the market cornered on weird presidents.

Which one did you enjoy portraying more?
That's tough. As Americans we're fascinated by our leaders, but I think Lincoln, people are more familiar with his legacy so there's a bit more expected of you when you play Lincoln. The Andrew Jackson that we did was a very absurd interpretation.

What did you honestly think when they gave you the script?
I wanted to know who's directing it. That would tell me what kind of project it would be. When they told me it was Timur (Bekmambetov, who directed Wanted), it kind of put my mind at ease.

How did you prepare for the role?
I read three or four books. The most helpful one was called Lincoln's Melancholy, because it's about his childhood and how he dealt with death and misery and the more gothic side of who he is. That certainly lends itself more nicely to the story we're telling.

Quoted

"My biggest concern was that it was not campy, that the joke was in the title and that's where it ends. That we're not making fun of it, that were not being disrespectful to Lincoln, that we're trying to make a period piece that had some vampires in it."
Actor Benjamin Walker
On the making of Abraham Lincoln, Vampire Hunter

What was the most surprising fact that you found out about Lincoln?
Probably the most helpful fact that came to light was that he was an ordinary guy that came from very humble beginnings. That's what makes him extraordinary: In spite of those things, in spite of the death that beset him early in his life, he did extraordinary things in spite of it.

What did you study to get the mannerisms of Lincoln down? There's not really that much footage from those days...
As in no footage from those days? The thing about our movie, for example Lincoln's voice. What we know about how Lincoln spoke we know from people that wrote about it. We know that it was kind of high pitched and some people described it as annoying. Those things, we started with that and the producers didn't like it because we're making an action movie — and I had to play from 19 to his death and his voice has to age through the movie. There has to be a difference in young Lincoln's voice. So some of that stuff is helpful, and some of that stuff we didn't do.

Was this the first time you picked up an axe?
No. What's ironic is I spent the summer before that working cutting down trees with a chainsaw mind you, but yeah, I know how to use an axe!

Now that you've played Jackson and Lincoln, which president would you like to play next? Ooh that's good. I think Woodrow Wilson would be fascinating.

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Lil Wayne says 'there's no beef' with Pusha T

Music and fashion. After years of conflict rapper downplays diss songs between him and former label mate

Lil Wayne launched TRUKFIT clothing line at Macy's. FILE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

With a clothing line and a powerhouse group of artists under his umbrella, Lil Wayne claims he's trying to stay above the fray.

The rapper says "there's no beef" between himself and Pusha T, despite back-and-forth diss songs released in recent weeks. Conflict between the two, simmering for years, boiled over when Pusha T of The Clipse — signed with Kanye West's G.O.O.D. Music group — released a track targeting Lil Wayne and his Young Money signee Drake.

Lil Wayne, who rarely responds in such cases, quickly released a brief song online called Ghoulish aimed at Pusha T "and anybody that love him." But in an interview at a Los Angeles Macy's department store to promote his skateboarding-inspired Trukfit clothing line, Lil Wayne said he doesn't plan to escalate the Pusha T conflict further than it has already gone.

He's got music and style on his mind.

What's next musically? And what happened in the beef between you and Pusha T?

I just finished recording my I Am Not a Human Being II album. And we're starting to work on the Young Money album. ... It really wasn't no beef, you know. It was just me. I just reacted. Just a reaction, a simple reaction. I don't apologize for it because I'm human. But it was just my human reaction. I don't take it back. But there's no beef. Beef is a whole different thing. ... I'll move on.

Do you consider yourself the most stylish rapper out there? How has your style evolved?

I do not consider myself the most stylish rapper out there. I'd say if I had to consider someone the most stylish rapper out there, I would definitely say that would be a Kanye West or a Andre 3000. ... Yes it (my style) has evolved because I was one of the guys that would "geek chic" it every now and then. ... Now I'm just more into whatever works for me. I think that's just age. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Exploring the Boss as a political musician

New book. Bruce Springsteen and the Promise of Rock 'N' Roll looks at the evolution of the artist and celebrity

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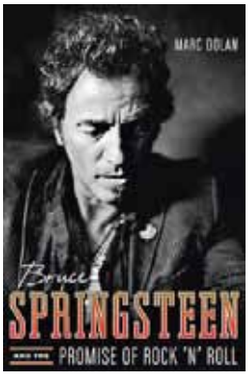
Bruce Springsteen has released a new book. GETTY IMAGES



Marc Dolan doesn't concern himself too much with the dirty details of Bruce Springsteen's private life. The author instead takes an unusually scholarly approach to the Boss in his new book, Bruce Springsteen and the Promise of Rock 'N' Roll.

Dolan, a professor at John Jay College and the City University of New York, listened to more than 100 full concerts for clues to piece together the 50-year artistic and political evolution of his subject — but finishing it proved a little difficult.

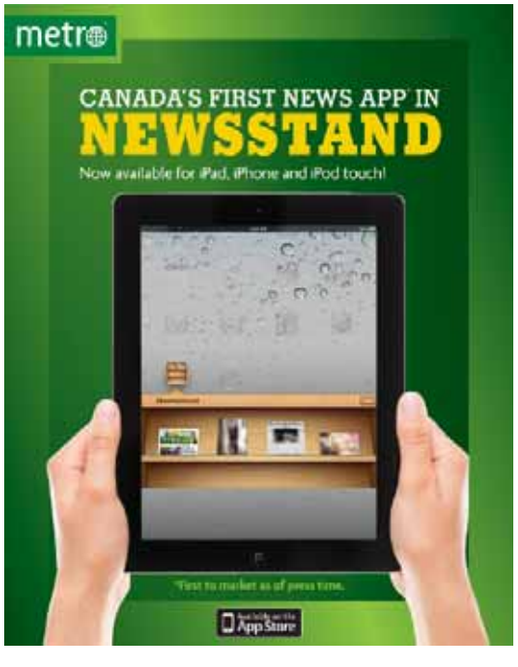
"I started the book before the last two chapters happened, which, looking back, is an insane leap of faith," says Dolan. "As I was working on the drafts, the ending became a moving target."

His subject is anything but static. In the span of three years, the singer jumped from Devils & Dust, a dark solo album, to We Shall Overcome: The Seeger Sessions, a rollicking folk album, to Magic a rock album that brought back his E Street Band. Though he spent seven years on this book, with the amount of recent Boss activity, Dolan never seemed to have his "sick of sitting here trying to write this book" moment. In the past year, not only did E Street legend Clarence Clemons pass away, but Springsteen also announced his new Wrecking Ball album.

"The Onion, before the new album was announced, did a parody thing about how Springsteen was coming out with a science-fiction album about workers on Mars and how they've been marginalized. I posted on Facebook that, 'A) This is very funny B) For a split second I thought I had to re-write the last chapter.'"

Dolan says the book wasn't exactly an easy sell for publishers, when they learned that he would be exploring Springsteen's place in American culture, and not salacious rumors.

"I had to convince the sales staff at the press," says Dolan. "When I was writing it up, I said, (it's really) a love story between an artist and his audience. Part 1: Artist meets audience. Part 2: Artist and audience have some good times together. Part 3: Artist and audience break up, seemingly over politics, but actually over communication, which is the problem with any relationship. Part 4: They come back together with a renewed understanding of how they relate to each other."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Pride Week

Toronto's stages are showing their true colours

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Fans of Pam Ann include Madonna, who describes her act as 'cruelly funny,' according to Wikipedia. CONTRIBUTED

With Toronto's annual Pride Week just around the corner (officially Pride starts Friday June 22) there are plenty of opportunities to enjoy some rainbow-hued theatre.

First up — flight attendant and comedienne Pam Ann flies (most likely literally) into Panasonic Theatre for a three-show stint of her new show: Around the World, starting June 21. A bit of a cult figure — Pam Ann brings her campy over-the-top performance, complete with stewardess uniform and beehive hair, to Canada where she'll hilariously skewer air travel amongst other fabulousness. Vampy Pam Ann is the alter ego of Aussie comedienne Caroline Reid.

Toronto's Rob Salerno revives his rather infamous fringe play: F-cking Stephen Harper, for one night only on June 28 at the Flying Beaver Pubaret. The lewdly named play tracks Rob Salerno's attempts to cover Prime Minister Stephen Harper during the 2008 federal election.

Lastly Village stalwart theatre Buddies in Bad Times has filled their entire June schedule with Pride-related events. Highlights from the next week include Fire(Crotch) Sale the final cabaret performance from comedian Shawn Hitchens. Pride Week at Buddies culminates with the 12th annual Homo Night in Canada, a Pride weekend tradition that brings the best in queer comedy together on one stage for a night of self-described "high-shticking".

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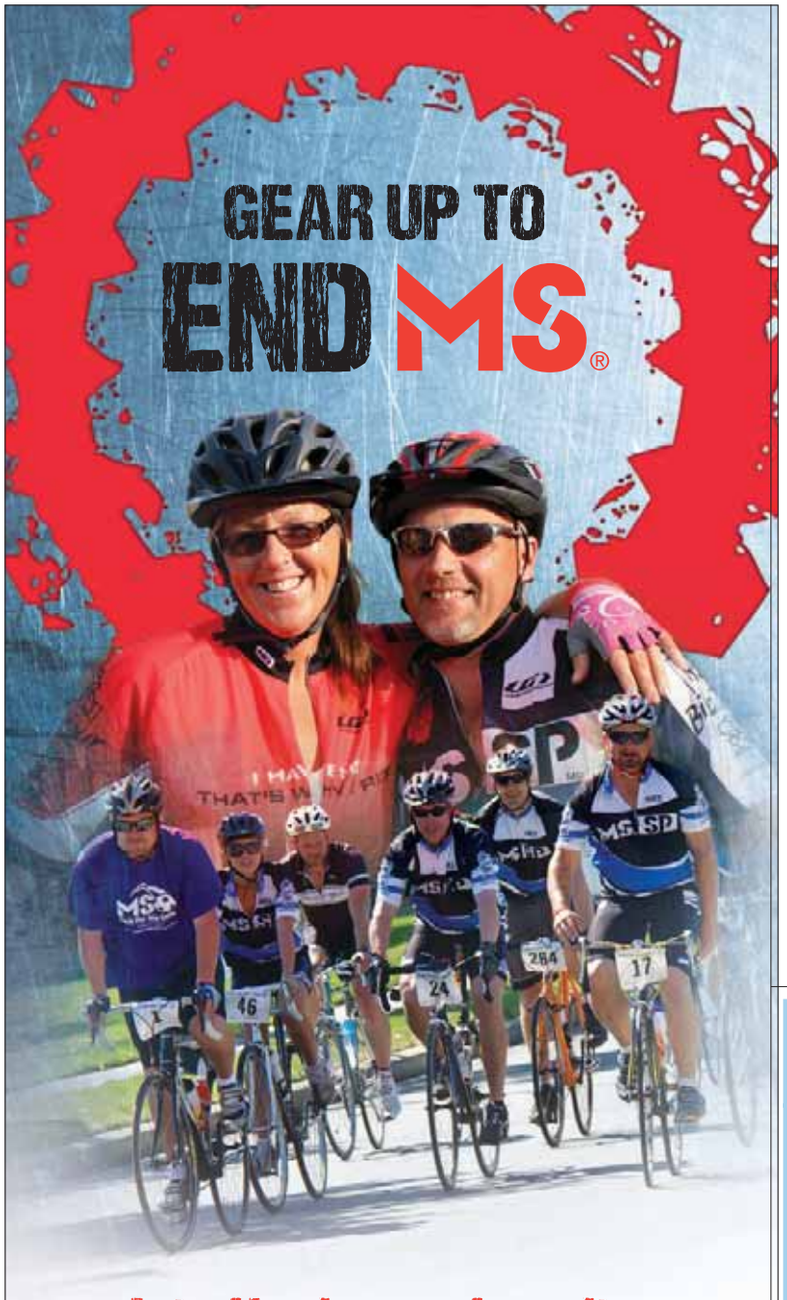

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Mark Wahlberg

Wahlberg hints at Entourage big screen possibilities

Fans of HBO's inside-Hollywood series Entourage can rest easy. Executive producer Mark Wahlberg confirms to the Today Show that a movie spin-off for the show is in the works, with creator Doug Ellin hard at work on a script.

The series ended after eight seasons with all the main characters finding happiness — including Hollywood agent Ari, played by Jeremy Piven, ditching his job to reconcile with his wife — but Wahlberg suggests that won't last.

"The dream job (Ari) got offered is too good to pass up," Wahlberg teases.

Quote

"The dream job [Ari] got offered is too good to pass up."
Mark Wahlberg
Giving a teaser about an Entourage spinoff

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word

Charlie Sheen preparing for retirement

Charlie Sheen insists that his new series, Anger Management, will be his last gig before retiring.

"When I'm done with this business it's just going to be about soccer games and amusement parks," Sheen tells the New York Times.

"And when this ends, I'm done. This is my swan song."

Aside from looking forward to spending more time with his kids, Sheen is also excited to have something else after Two and a Half Men, which "wasn't meant to be my legacy," he says. "This is."

Of course, the show may not end anytime soon. While only 10 episodes of Anger Management have been filmed, if the network decides to keep it, they'll immediately order 90 more, thanks to Sheen's one-of-a-kind contract.

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Justin Bieber ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Bieber likes to keep his personal life private by talking to magazines about it

Justin Bieber's relationship with Selena Gomez is going great, in case anyone was worried.

"What does love feel like? It feels good. If you're really in love then you should get butterflies. Butterflies and happiness, that's how I feel anyway," Bieber says in an interview with Fabulous magazine.

"My first kiss with Selena was the best of my life. It was in the car. It was scary and spontaneous and it was just awesome."

Despite his candidness in this particular interview, Bieber admits that he doesn't like to talk about his relationship that much with the press.

"I never like to throw it in my fans' faces. I love my fans and I'd never want to do that to them," he says. "It's my private life and I like to keep separate. I don't have many things that I get to keep to myself but that's one thing."

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1 Dunnottar Castle

A ruined medieval fortress on the north-east coast of Scotland dating back to the 15th or 16th century, this imposing outpost was the starting point for designing the DunBroch castle featured in the film.

2 Glen Affric

The quintessential mysterious Scottish forest, this nature reserve in the Highlands is possibly the best example of a glen, with moss and heather covering the ground. With the River Affric running through, there's ample opportunities for hiking, rafting and swimming.

3 Isle of Skye

The largest island of the Inner Hebrides, the Isle of Skye is rife with both folklore and sweeping Highland landscapes. Highlights include the enchanting Faerie Glen, the odd-shaped rock formations of the Quiraing and the 200-foot cliff Kilt Rock.

Pixar's new movie Brave takes place in 10th-Century Scotland. HANDOUT

Scotland — home of castles and the Brave

Pixar. Latest animated film inspires travel to mysterious, historic Scottish sites

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News in Hollywood

An animated film may seem like odd inspiration for a vacation, but the folks behind Pixar's latest, Brave, put such painstaking work into digitally recreating Scotland that you won't be able to help but want to go visit. After all, the filmmakers can't have all the fun.

Teams from Pixar headed to Scotland twice during preparation for the film, first to find inspiration and again to take samples to get the natural beauty just right — which turned out to be more difficult than expected.

"The reason Brave is so incredibly challenging is because the computer likes to make things perfect, geometric," says Pixar head John Lasseter.

"When you're dealing with ancient Scotland, every single item — every stone, every tree, every structure — has a tremendous sense of history to it with layers of moss and dirt and wear from the weather. There's a certain level of detail that you need to have in order to make this kind of environment believable."

Co-director Steve Purcell admits that while they were in Scotland on business, it never really felt like work.

"It's definitely fun. We did a lot sketching and drawing, and we'd meet the local people in whatever town and ask them what kind of folklore and stories they had," Purcell says.

"(Ardanaiseig Hotel) was one of our favourites, just because it was so colourful. The owner's son gave me a wooden cross to take to my room that night. He said, 'I hope you're very strong because you have a strong ghost.'"

That sense of folklore and mystery permeates Scotland, explains Brave director Mark Andrews, who was already a fan of the country after spending his honeymoon there.

"Nothing didn't have a story. Every creek and branch and thing," he says.

"We got back and (while) developing the film, we wanted that aspect in there that every character is telling a story or knows a story, or there's a story about everything that's happening in Brave, so you get story upon story upon story upon story, interwoven in the actual movie."

While clearly a big fan of Scotland, Andrews has trouble narrowing down the best places to visit.

"Well, there's Loch Maree up in the Torridons, which is phenomenal. There's a little town called Ullapool, which I know is werewolf-infested," he says.

"On the Isle of Skye, we saw the Queen of the Faeries mound. There are these strange dolomite things in this valley, and nobody lives on that side of the valley because they think it's faery-haunted."

So, we tried to do the job for him, picking the best Brave-inspired locations for your itinerary. See left panel for details.

3 LIFE

Spectacle

Viva Cirque du Soleil

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Beginner BoBo-hunters may wish to start in Montmartre, Paris. AURELIE RESCH

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Believe it or not, this statue of a Marcel Ayme character is inviting kisses below. AURELIE RESCH

French hipsters?
Known for their good taste, hitting up BOurgeois BOhemian haunts might make your trip more fun

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Want to try something different while in Paris? Try to look out for BoBos.

BOurgeois BOhemians are people you might tag as shabby chic urban upper class. They prefer to live in a lively neighbourhood with tiny stores that will fill their appetite for expensive organic food, handmade clothes and artifacts and for a "selective social life."

They have strong opinions they won't fight for. They will not market their fortune but they will be on top of the latest gadget innovations. They are handsome, educated and they have good taste. They are a curiosity by themselves.

How do you identify a BoBo? "You ask someone if he/she is one. If they answer they're not, then you've just met one," Alexander, my city guide told me.

Where do you find them? Where it is pleasant — but expensive — to live. I stopped asking questions when we started walking in the streets of Montmartre, a well known bastion in Paris for BoBos.

Along Rue des Abbesses, small shops tempt the visitor with unique clothing and art, while culinary and fresh food stores distill delicious smells.

Lacing up to the church Sacré Coeur, charming paved streets host famous restaurants such as le Moulin de la Galette — painted by Jean Renoir, notorious theatres such as Ciné 13, which produces creative and unique shows, and lovely plazas which pay tribute to celebrities.

Behind the plaza dedicated to famous French singer Dalida, who lived and died in Montmartre, BoBos will diligently play the pétanque, a game played with metallic balls very popular in southern France.

A bit further, a statue representing a man walking through a wall pays tribute to the hero of Marcel Aymé's short story le Passe Muraille and invites lovers to kiss on the bench.

My next stop for BoBo hunting will be the neighbourhood le Marais — the third arrondissement, or neighbourhood.

Le Marais is famous for it's art galleries, trendy restaurants and BoBo population. Wealth is more prominent in this enclave than in Montmartre. Avid art lovers, BoBos adore le Marais with its elegant façades and its 18th century hotels. Here, luxury is elegance, and seduction stems from discretion.

I spend some time at beautiful Musée Picasso and in front of the Hotel Salé, a marvel from the 18th century. I pause in front of upscale boutiques and walk to le Marché des enfants rouges — the city's oldest market — to indulge in one of its many culinary boutiques and stands.

It is in Rue Mouffetard, 13th arrondissement, that BoBos pursue their quest of "bien-être," or well-being, and experience a quality of life different from most Parisians, even though they inhabit the same city.

Rue Mouffetard is one of the oldest streets in Paris. It is filled with unpretentious but lovely buildings with nice façades and exceptional food stores and flower shops. Each of these boutiques is a delight for the senses. Everything is beautiful, aromatic and tasty.

In Rue Mouffetard, people take time to walk, talk and laugh with merchants and pedestrians. Muguet, my guide, took me on a culinary tour in this unique area and educated me on picking up the freshest products.

After a few days wandering in Paris, you might not become an artist, nor will you live in a loft apartment in one of these divine arrondissements, but you may very well be able to embrace the Parisian "joie de vivre" and know how and where to look to fill your desire for beauty and taste.

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Turkey: The crossroads

Travel. With a long and fascinating history, this Muslim country gets more than 30 million visitors per year.

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Turkey has been pushed and pulled by the eastern and western worlds for centuries, absorbing influences and cultural attitudes from both Europe and the Middle East. Istanbul, with 15 million people, will be your first stop, the cosmopolitan centre of the region founded as Constantinople in 330 AD. The Bosphorus Strait, a shipping lane that links the Black Sea and the Marmara Sea dividing Istanbul in two, is one of the boundaries between Europe and Asia. So geographically, half the city is in Europe and the other half is in Asia.

Serious shopping

Because traffic congestion is beyond terrible, making aggressive driving commonplace, it's best to do as much exploring as you can on foot. Break up your Istanbul visit by staying part of the time in the Old City to sight-see, then move to a second hotel near Taksim Square in the Pera district (there are lots). Running three kilometres long, Independence Avenue is a pedestrian paradise of shops, cafés, clubs and restaurants. Pop across to the Asian side of town for a full day of shopping along Bagdat Avenue, chockablock with both high and mid-range international shops and small boutiques.

Sacred sites

When you realize that the Egyptian obelisk you're looking at is 3,500 years old (in the ancient Hippodrome once used for chariot racing) you begin to get a sense of the scope of the history here. Everywhere you turn in the Old City you will uncover evidence of civilizations past through the churches and mosques and their precious artworks. One exemplary example is the Church of the Holy Saviour in Chora, a museum with delicate mosaics and frescoes lining the ceiling.

Of the many mosques in Istanbul, Sultan Ahmed Mosque (Blue Mosque) is the one the tourists flock to, a wonder of Ottoman architecture dating from 1616, containing within its cascade of domes more than 20,000 Iznik tiles.

Nearby Saint Sophia Basilica is one of the most important monuments, originally built in sixth century AD and now a museum. With its giant dome and marble slabs, it was the biggest church in the world for more than 1,000 years, a marvel of engineering. One of the doors is from two BC, the oldest door in the world, which came from the city of Tarsus, where St. Paul was born.

Magic carpet ride

As you might expect, rug manufacturing in Turkey is big business, dating back to the sixth century and beyond. With shops on almost every corner, it's hard not to be drawn to the gorgeous, ancient tribal and imperial designs, some of which may date back more than 2,000 years. If you happen to visit a rug factory, you can see firsthand the hours of work that goes into the creation of these carpets, right from unwinding the silkworm cocoons to tamping down knots so fine you can barely see them. Women are only allowed to work on the rugs for a few hours per day to avoid damaging their vision. There's bound to be a corner of your home that could use a little dash of Turkish craftsmanship. If you buy a rug and have it shipped home, the exporter will pay the required tariffs so you don't have to, saving the need to factor in the duty costs on top of the shop-floor price. Make sure you are given all the proper paperwork.

Old meets new

The Turkish people are proud of their heritage, deeply connected to their history. Family plays a big role in the social lives of most, and you will often see the blending of east-west cultures on city streets, with mothers in traditional clothing walking alongside daughters in modern dress, heads uncovered. This mix of old and new is also evident in the countryside, as tourists and locals co-mingle. Men will herd sheep calmly past camera-toting newlyweds and women go about domestic chores in their yards, paying little attention to the Mercedes-Benz buses ferrying retirees to their nearby hotel.

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where East meets West

Palace riches

Topkapi Palace, the home of Ottoman sultans between roughly 1500 and 1850, is situated at the water's edge, a city within a city. Go early in the day, and make a beeline for the Treasury first, as there is usually a very long line of people waiting to see the feast of artifacts — precious jewellery and crockery, armour and thrones, two 50-kg solid gold candelabras with 6,666 diamonds each and the 86-carat Spoonmaker's diamond.

Travel tips

- **How to get there.** Turkey is great for both backpackers and for those who have already done Europe and are looking for something more exotic. Air Transat (airtransat.ca) offers a nine-day "semi-escorted" tour to Istanbul and Cappadocia with packages packed with as many side-trips as you have the energy for. Flights are out of Montreal every Sunday from May to October (from $925).
- **There's an app for that.** Hello, goodbye, yes, no, can I have a receipt, please, thank you. It's always handy to have at least a few words of the host language under your belt before you leave the house. Skip the phrase books and go with Easy Turkish, $1 at the App Store.

Chow down

Turkish cuisine and drinks delight — just don't drink the coffee silt

Most meals in Turkey start with a meze, an array of small dishes, including cheeses, eggplant salad, red peppers, yogurt, humus, olives, fava beans and sarma, or rice-stuffed grape leaves.

Resist the urge to fill up on all this, though, because a nice whole grilled sea bream, grilled lamb or kofte (meatballs) will not be far behind.

While we tend to think of kebabs as coming on skewers, there are in fact a few different kinds, including the doner kebab you see on vertical spits that get shaved into a pita (great if you're on the go).

Keep an eye out in particular for testi kebab, an Anatolian beef, lamb or chicken stew baked slowly in clay jugs with green peppers, tomatoes, garlic and butter.

Turkish wine is well worth trying and will surprise you; this is the Old World after all. Be sure to taste the national spirit racı, a grape brandy flavoured with anise (similar to ouzo).

Locals drink çay or Turkish tea from tiny, elegant glasses, pausing for a break or a keyif, which means to "appreciate the life."

And here's a Turkish coffee tip: don't swirl — let the fine grinds settle to the bottom undisturbed, and drink until you hit the silt.

Market must-dos

A stop at the Spice Market at the southern end of the Galata Bridge near the ferry docks will net you superb coffee and everything your spice cabinet requires, and then some. The Grand Bazaar is one of the oldest covered markets in the world, dating from 1461. Famous for its shopkeepers as much as the jewellery, carpets, leather, spices and antiques they sell, its 60 streets house 3,000 shops. Try not to be too put off by the hard-sell methods of the vendors at either market. It can get a bit much, especially at the Grand Bazaar, with market owners clamouring for your attention. Tourists expect to barter and the salespeople expect it. However, the price is the price, and you won't get a deal unless you're nice to vendors. Turn on the charm! But not too much: some have been known to get a little too affectionate. Watch out for pickpockets.

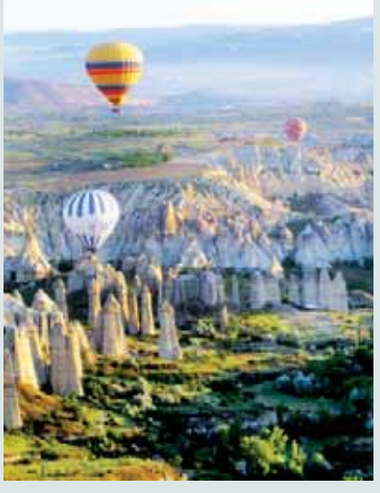
Cappadocia

An escape to the countryside is always in order. A short flight to Cappadocia will have you soaking up the traditional culture and amazing topography. Make time for roadside markets, artisanal rug makers, ceramicists and turquoise vendors.

One of the best ways to see the lay of the land in Cappadocia is from a hot-air balloon. These typically leave the ground at dawn, and there are many companies to fly with. On a nice day you can see more than 100 balloons coasting in and around villages, vineyards and fairy chimneys. Book this through your travel agent or hotel, who will know which outfits are best — and make sure you have breakfast first.

Ancient peoples carved their homes into the mountainside, a practice still very much a part of the real-estate when it comes to vacationers.

Cave hotels dot the map around Göreme National Park, Nevşahir and Ürgüp, including the Cave Deluxe Hotel and Nar Restaurant (cavedeluxe.com), a 35-room haven at the foot of Ortahisar Castle, and the six-room Village Cave Hotel (thevillagecave.com) at the old abandoned village of Çavuşin.



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Eastern Canada washed over us like a wave. As we drove through Nova Scotia, we slowly succumbed to the landscape and lore of the province. At the Celtic Music Interpretive Centre professional fiddlers showed us how it was done.

Then, inside the hands-on exhibit room it was our turn, and while my son's attempts on the fiddle weren't easy on the ears, his immediate infatuation with the instrument and the culture behind it made it worthwhile.

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Eat and dance under the stars

Oistins, a fishing town, has a Friday Night Fish Fry that's a cheap dinner with free dancing. Fish straight off the boat are cooked up and served at picnic-style tables. There's the usual sweet Barbados rum punch, local Bank's beer and rum shot shacks, too. A fish platter and a beer costs about $15. There's music all around and pop-up dance floors (stay in well-lit areas, though). Over at the big stage, anyone can prove their dancing skills — you'd better be exceptionally good, though.

Go all-inclusive

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Lu'aus, diving and Slaughterhouse Bay

Maui. Laid back and stunningly beautiful, make this place part of your island-hopping Hawaii experience

THE TRAVELLIN' CANADIAN
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Quiet, serene, wide open Maui offers relaxation and hidden gems away from the bright lights of Honolulu and Diamond Head.

Just past the miles of barren volcanic rock lies Ka'anapali beach, with stunning shores, restaurants and funky watering holes. After taking in a traditional lu'au at the complete with fire dancers and hula girls at the Hyatt Regency resort and spa, it was time to immerse myself in a bit of ancient Hawaiian culture.

The nightly black rock cliff diving ceremony at the Sheraton Maui resort is not to be missed. I was among hundreds who turned up to watch the diver run through the resort lighting torches before scaling a huge black rock cliff.

While us tourists sipped our pineapple drinks with umbrellas, this brave guy took the plunge while silhouetted by the setting sun.

This is a daily ritual that dates back to the 1700s. I'm guessing pineapple drinks with umbrellas probably weren't even invented then.

The next day I found myself on a rocking little catamaran tour out to a secluded little cove known as Slaughterhouse Bay.

Despite the ominous name, this place couldn't have been more beautiful. Combine that with some of the best snorkeling I've ever experienced, and it made for a great day on the water.

At one point while floating above the colourful coral, I suddenly found myself face to face with a giant sea turtle. This stoic little reptile and I suddenly found ourselves in a surreal kind of staring contest with neither of us moving. Finally this leathery little fellow slowly swam away, breaking the hypnotic spell.

I guess that's as close as I'll ever get to being at one with nature.

Other things to do in Maui

- **Go to surf school.** Waves of Hawaii helps beginners hang ten in no time. Smaller waves let you get up and on the board in just a few tries.
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Tacos get a modern low-calorie (and Thai-influenced) makeover

If you ordered these Thai Tacos with slaw from a take-out establishment, they would come in at a hefty 800 calories. In this recipe, a serving is 400 calories, half of the fast-food variety.

Make your meal a combo with a tasty Asian Slaw.

1. Toast taco shells for 20 to 30 seconds in a toaster oven or for 1 minute in a 180 C (350 F) conventional oven.

2. In a sauté pan, lightly heat tuna. Reduce heat to low and quickly stir in half the sour cream. Place a quarter of the tuna mixture into each taco shell. Top with lettuce, tomato and remaining sour cream. Garnish with lime wedges.

3. Asian Slaw: In a small bowl, whisk together rice wine vinegar and Dijon mustard. Slowly drizzle in sesame oil, whisking continuously. In a separate bowl, toss cabbages and carrot together. Drizzle dressing over top and garnish with sesame seeds. THE CANADIAN PRESS/ CLOVER LEAF SEAFOODS

Ingredients

2 portions

Chili Thai Tacos
- 4 taco shells
- 3 cans (each 85 g) flaked light tuna (Spicy Thai Chili flavour)
- 60 ml (4 tbsp) sour cream, divided
- 250 ml (1 cup) shredded iceberg lettuce
- 1 tomato, diced
- 2 lime wedges, for garnish

Asian Slaw
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) rice wine vinegar
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) Dijon mustard
- 60 ml (4 tbsp) sesame oil
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) shredded red cabbage
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) shredded green cabbage
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) grated carrot
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) sesame seeds, toasted

Chili Thai Tacos

This meal serves two. THE CANADIAN PRESS H/O

Drink of the Week

Goji Pop Sangria

There's nothing quite as refreshing as sangria during summer nights.

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- 2 cups hot water
- 2 cups light and fruity red wine
- ½ cup Triple Sec
- 2 oranges and 2 lemons, sliced into circles

Put tea and hot water directly into a teapot or heat resistant pitcher. Let the tea infuse until cool. Leaving the tea in the mix, add wine, triple sec, lemons and oranges. Pour over ice and serve.

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Dracula at a desk. Author Albert J. Bernstein arms readers with tools to ward off 'emotional vampires'

BRUCE WALSH
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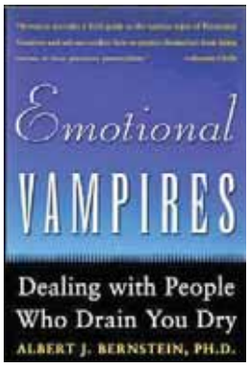
Nightmare bosses

According to psychologist and author Albert J. Bernstein, those with two specific personality disorders often become managers:

- **The narcissist.** "There is plenty of narcissism without greatness, but no greatness without narcissism. Who would have the chutzpah to climb the ladder without it? But narcissists have very little idea of how they relate to other people. They are able to pull a curtain over one part of their personality and say, 'This doesn't matter.'"
- **The histrionic.** "They are experts at looking good, with very little substance. ... They're the people that give us the motivational rallies. They're cheerful. They look good. They're can-do. But when it comes to resolving dilemmas, they're not very good at making tough decisions. They don't want to upset anybody."



Since the mid-90s, Dr. Albert J. Bernstein has been attempting to share wisdom from the psychology profession with everyday employees. In books like Dinosaur Brains, Am I the Only Sane One Working Here? and Neanderthals at Work, he navigates the seamy underbelly of office politics through the lens of a trained psychologist.

One of his most popular — Emotional Vampires: Dealing with People Who Drain You Dry — was re-released with added material last month. In Vampires, Bernstein offers strategies for dealing with known personality disorders.

"I'm trying to help people recognize these kinds of people and to understand them, so they can decide for themselves whether they want to take them on or avoid them," says Bernstein. "What I'm describing, essentially, are the things that make difficult people difficult. It's about recognizing the pattern and choosing the strategy that works best with that pattern."

For Bernstein, an emotional vampire, by definition, also holds many seductive powers.

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Hammering it home. Jobs in skilled trades are plentiful, but where are the applicants?

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What do high school, close relatives and the overwhelming pressure from society have in common? Their ignorance of the strength, satisfaction and success that comes from a career in the skilled trades.

Skills Canada and the Canadian Apprenticeship Forum conducted an Ipsos-Reid study in 2004, which found that "60 per cent of youth reported that their parents have not encouraged them to consider a career in trades"; whether that is because their parents wanted them to be all-revered lawyers and doctors, or because skilled trades are socially associated with low caliber, high-stress jobs that earn very little and ask a lot is irrelevant.

These statistics are prevalent, even though news media is full to bursting with stories of unemployed university graduates, graduates unable to find jobs in their fields, or those that graduated into jobs they hate.

So why is university still the top choice when skilled trades — which can include construction, transportation, manufacturing, and service industries — are such lucrative careers with such an available variety of choice?

Because many Canadians are completely unaware of the benefits and opportunities that are available in skilled trades, and thus do not consider it in their decision-making.

Sarah Watts-Rynard, the Executive Director of the Canadian Apprenticeship Forum, says that, "There's a lot of misconceptions about skilled trades in our society, and good reasons for them. Over the years, every parent has always wanted his or her child to do better: have a better career and make more money and get ahead. But, in many cases, skilled trade occupations are some of the best paid available and offer a lot of flexibility for young people. If you go and get certified in a trade, you can move to any place in Canada or the world and have a job."

A report done by the Canadian Federation of Independent Business in 2003 revealed that, of the businesses surveyed, 50 per cent said that lack of qualified labour was one of their biggest problems. Fifty-six per cent of businesses claimed that it was necessary to hire someone unqualified or underqualified just to fill positions. Skilled trades are one of the most difficult industry jobs to fill, and yet they are integral to our society.

Alejandro Zambrano, a computer engineering student at Seneca and a graduate of George Brown's electromechanical engineering technician program, agrees: "If there were no skilled tradespeople, business people couldn't do anything. If there were no skilled tradespeople, houses wouldn't be built because you need builders, plumbers and electricians to build houses for realtors to sell, and for everyone else to live in."

The question about skilled trades is no longer about whether you should, but whether many other educational and career choices continue to make sense in comparison. Our country and many other countries around the world are experiencing severe recessions, which means that our youth should be encouraged to be practical and smart about their futures.

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No easy answer

What is the "fix" to Canada's skilled trade labour shortage?

- "There is no magic answer. There are lots of solutions, one of which includes understanding skilled tradespeople who want to immigrate to Canada by making sure their credentials match Canadian standards, or by providing gap training."
- "Another important solution is by promoting apprenticeship to youth."
- "Finally, engaging communities like Aboriginal peoples, who are already living in areas where skilled trades would thrive, like mining in Northern Ontario, is paramount," Sarah Watts-Rynard says.

In the next 20 years, 40 per cent of new jobs in Canada will be in skilled trades and technologies. ISTOCK

Show me the money

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Student Voice

Less money leads to more prospects?

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Recently, something began to bug me. When I do graduate in two years, what will I have to show for it? I'll be a fresh new graduate from a popular university with a bachelor's degree, but so will everyone else! Surely we will have some work experience — summers at the local grocery store, lifeguard at the pool, waiter at a restaurant. But is that enough?

Would an employer (say the Canadian Youth Business Foundation, who is looking for a marketing coordinator) rather hire John, graduate of York University, with some summer work experience (waiter etc.), or Jasmine, graduate of Western University, with four to eight months (two summers) of experience working in a volunteer centre as a web and e-marketing assistant?

Jasmine would have developed a social media strategy, launched an e-marketing campaign, designed logos and graphics, and, ultimately, assisted the centre in developing a stronger online presence. She may not have been paid for her work at the centre but the employer does not know that or need to know that. All that matters is that her resumé lists this experience and proves that she would make a great candidate for the position.

My recommendations for students Do more and be more —network with everyone. Attend networking sessions at your school, talk to people in the fields you are interested in, ask questions, attend career fairs, be active on LinkedIn, and improve your skills. Back in 2010, I was selected for an internship with RBC and I believe it's because of the technical skills listed on my resumé that helped me stand out.

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Drill through skilled-trade stereotypes

Mind over misconception. Why women are making up a meager per cent of a booming workforce

ARINA KHARLAMOVA
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When you imagine what a skilled tradesperson looks like, you probably picture a guy with a beard wearing a hard hat, work boots and dirty jeans. But what about the women?

Women make up only five per cent of skilled tradespeople — meanwhile, 84 per cent of the people working in the hairstylist or aesthetician trades are women, according to Statistics Canada.

And the number of women receiving trade qualifications in Canada has been dropping steadily, from 17 per cent in 1992 to five per cent in 2007.

So why the trend?

Tina Kelly, co-chair of CCWEST (Canadian Coalition of Women in Engineering, Science, Trades and Technology) 2012 conference and the academic chair of the School of Trades and Technology at the Nova Scotia Community College, says that even in this day and age, women can be discriminated against in the skilled trades workforce.

"Women are usually in the top 10 to 15 per cent of their class, but they are almost always among the last 10 per cent to get hired."

Also, according to the Government of Canada's Skilled Trades website, there is currently a negative perception towards skilled trades among youth and their influences, with many believing that these jobs are low-paying, involve physical work, are dirty, and are less academically challenging.

This is simply not the case for many skilled trades jobs and should not be considered the norm. Non-traditional skilled trades jobs for women (everything apart from hairstylist or aesthetician) are incredibly difficult to break into and succeed at because of these misconceptions.

"Most companies that make the leap to hire a female worker, or two or three or four, have nothing but good experiences. Their workforce tends to be more creative and active because any balance in a diverse workforce is going to be better," says Kelly.

Plus, with the high wages of many skilled trade careers, "single moms that can't make it on administrative work can now support families, buy their own homes, and are roles models for their families and for their communities," says Kelly. The companies that are yelling "SKILLS SHORTAGE" should be paying close attention to the enrollment of women into trades programs as a big part of the possible solution.

"Unfortunately," says Kelly, "you need to apprentice for three to four years to become proficient for a trade, and some women don't make it because of the stigma and the discrimination in many trade environments. It is always a struggle for the first few women in that company or that trade because they are the groundbreakers."

Tips of the trade

If you're a young woman interested in pursuing a career in the skilled trades, here are a few tips to help you overcome the barriers mentioned above:

- Join professional associations for skilled tradespeople as well as industry associations to network with other people in your trade and industry.
- Get a mentor — or more than one — and don't just limit yourself to other women.
- Seek and apply for scholarships, bursaries and awards for women, Aboriginal peoples and visible minorities.

Diversity makes for a dynamic and oftentimes more productive crew.
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Twitter

Who to follow on Twitter:

CAWIC

@CAWICOnline: The Canadian Association of Women in Construction Leadership's Twitter account is an egg-cellent one to follow (even if you're a man!) because they are quite active and post a wide variety of interesting information, including news, events, professional development, bursaries, jobs and more.

Trades at The Centre

@Wanna_Trade: The Centre for Skills Development and Training tweets a ton of essential reading for any student or recent grad interested in the trades.

Skills Canada

@Skills_Canada: Skills Canada is a national, not-for-profit organization that actively promotes careers in Skilled Trades and Technologies to youth. They tweet about labour market information and upcoming skills competitions.

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SPORTS

MLS

"Those players will not be eligible for selection (Wednesday against the Houston Dynamo)."

Coach Paul Mariner on Tuesday night after three Toronto FC players, arrested for public intoxication in Houston, were sent home. Miguel Aceval, Luis Silva and Nick Soolsma were arrested outside of a Houston nightclub early Monday. The 1-10 team had arrived in Texas on Sunday, one day after a 2-0 loss in Kansas City.

On the web

It's been over a year since Canadiens forward Max Pacioretty suffered a broken neck on a hit from Bruins bruiser Zdeno Chara in Montreal. And with Pacioretty a Masterton Trophy nominee at Wednesday's NHL awards in Las Vegas, the Habs scorer is expecting questions regarding the incident to arise once again. Scan the code for the story.

Chris Bosh, left, comes up with an offensive rebound from Serge Ibaka Tuesday in Miami. AL DIAZ/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

All signs pointing towards a Heat title

NBA. Despite OKC guard Westbrook's monster night, Heat take 3-1 lead in finals

Game 4

Heat	Thunder
104	98

LeBron James better get well fast. He's about to play for a championship.

Hardly able to move, James returned from a left leg injury to make the tiebreaking three-pointer with 2:54 remaining and the Miami Heat held off Russell Westbrook and the Oklahoma City Thunder for a 104-98 victory on Tuesday night and a 3-1 lead in the NBA finals.

With James watching the final moments, Mario Chalmers finished off a stellar 25-point effort that matched Dwyane Wade. James had 26 points, 12 assists and nine rebounds, only missing a triple-double because he was on the bench at the end after hurting his leg with a fall to the court.

Game 5 is Thursday night and James will have a chance to finish a championship chase that started in Cleveland before he famously — or infamously — left for South Florida. No team has blown a 3-1 lead in the finals.

Westbrook scored 43 points for the Thunder, who wasted an early 17-point lead but were never out of the game because of their sensational point guard. Kevin Durant had 28 points but James Harden threw in another clunker, finishing with eight points on 2-of-10 shooting. Westbrook and Durant were the only Thunder players to score in the last 16:46.

James stumbled to the court on a drive midway through the fourth quarter, staying on the offensive end of the floor as the Heat regained possession on a blocked shot, and he made a short jumper that made it 92-90. After Westbrook missed a jumper, the Heat called time-out as James gingerly went to the court. Unable to walk off, he was carried to the sideline by a pair of teammates.

He returned to a huge roar with a little over four minutes left, and after Chris Bosh tied it, James slowly walked into a pull-up three-point attempt to make it 97-94.

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"I can guarantee this. We have fight in us."

Thunder coach Scott Brooks

MLB

Blue Jays rise past Brewers with 9th-inning surge

Colby Rasmus and Jose Bautista erased a one-run deficit with back-to-back home runs off closer John Axford in the ninth inning, and the Toronto Blue Jays rallied to beat the Milwaukee Brewers 10-9 on Tuesday night.

It was the second back-to-back homer performance of the night for Rasmus and Bautista, who combined with Edwin Encarnacion to homer in three straight at-bats in the sixth.

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NHL

Blue Jays, from left, Rajai Davis, Colby Rasmus and Jose Bautista celebrate on Tuesday in Milwaukee. GETTY IMAGES

Senators and Karlsson agree to seven-year deal

Erik Karlsson has been rewarded for his breakout season with a new hefty contract extension, but the star Ottawa defenceman knows it comes with high expectations.

Karlsson and the Senators agreed to terms on a $45.5-million US, seven-year extension Tuesday.

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Rooney scores winner in return from suspension

Euro 2012. England gets victory over Ukraine amidst controversy over a disallowed goal

England's John Terry clears the ball away from his goal Tuesday in Donetsk, Ukraine. MATTHIAS SCHRADER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Only one goal counted, and it belonged to Wayne Rooney.

The England striker returned from a two-match suspension to head in the lone goal Tuesday and give his team a 1-0 win over Ukraine and a spot in the European Championship quarter-finals. The co-host Ukrainians, however, will leave the tournament knowing that things could have been different.

Needing a win to advance, the Ukrainians thought they had equalized in the 62nd minute when Marko Devic's looping shot appeared to cross the line before it was hooked clear by England defender John Terry. But the goal was not awarded by the referee or his extra assistant, who was half-standing on the field only a few metres from the post.

"The goal that wasn't given really changed our plan because if it was given, I think the whole game could have looked another way," Ukraine captain Andriy Shevchenko said through an interpreter. "We tried to give Ukraine a gift but we weren't able to do it."

Although a draw still would have eliminated them, the equalizer would have given the team hope knowing that another goal would put Ukraine through to the quarter-finals.

"I was sad because the ball was in the goal by one metre," Ukraine coach Oleg Blokhin said.

The controversy will likely add to the pressure on UEFA president Michel Platini to reverse his opposition to goal-line technology.

It was Rooney, however, who did manage to put his team on the scoreboard.

England captain Steven Gerrard whipped a cross into the penalty area that glanced off two defenders before Ukraine goalkeeper Andriy Pyatov let it slip through his hands as he crouched to collect the ball. Rooney was primed at the far post and made it count.

"I was always putting myself in goal-scoring opportunities," Rooney said. "I could've done better with a couple more but I got the goal and it's three points."

Rooney missed the first two Euro 2012 matches through suspension. He was sent off in the team's last qualifier in October, and received a three-match suspension that was eventually reduced to two.

With the victory, England won Group D and will next face Italy in Kyiv on Sunday. France also advanced. Ukraine, however, will have to watch the rest of the tournament as spectators, just like co-host Poland.

At the 2010 World Cup, England midfielder Frank Lampard was denied a goal that would have levelled the match against Germany at 2-2. England ended up losing 4-1.

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Quoted

I don't want to talk about the referees, we lost the game. I don't want to put everything on the referees."

Ukraine coach Oleg Blokhin

Group D

French move on despite loss to Swedes

French coach Laurent Blanc speaks on Tuesday in Kyiv, Ukraine. GETTY IMAGES

France was outplayed, outfought and outscored, and that was against a team with nothing to play for.

With world champion Spain now waiting in the quarter-finals of the European Championship on Saturday, things better improve quickly for the French.

France limped into the knockout round with a 2-0 loss to Sweden in their final group game, showing just how much the team still needs to improve to be true contenders in the tournament.

"You have to be optimistic to think that we can beat Spain, but it's hard right now to imagine that we can. We have to do better on Saturday," France coach Laurent Blanc said.

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Fan violence

Russia appeals UEFA sanctions

UEFA says the Russian football association has appealed against a threatened six-point deduction during qualifying for the next European Championship because of its fans' violence at Euro 2012.

The European football body says Russia is also challenging a $151,000 fine, imposed after fans attacked stadium stewards in Wroclaw, Poland, following a game against the Czech Republic.

The UEFA charge of improper conduct also related to fans throwing fireworks on the pitch and displaying nationalist flags. UEFA says a date for the appeal has not been decided.

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Missing person

Polish police puzzled by disappearance

A time-stamped photo on a friend's phone is the last trace authorities have of an Irish soccer fan who went missing in Poland after a European Championship game Saturday.

The image shows him with his friends at 2 a.m. Sunday, but everything after that is a mystery, one compounded by the blurry memory of friends who had been drinking. Now, an intense search is under way across the northern city of Bydgoszcz, Poland, and in its Brda River involving more than 100 police officers.

Photos of Nolan have been plastered around the city and one police official says the disappearance is highly unusual for a usually peaceful place. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Patrick Carter, right, nearly makes a big catch in front of Michael Carter Sunday at the Rogers Centre in Toronto.
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Rookie Trevor Harris spearheads Argos comeback

CFL. Final pre-season game for both teams with Saturday deadline to reduce team rosters to 46 players

Trevor Harris TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

It was another terrific audition for Trevor Harris.

The rookie quarterback came off the bench to throw two second-half touchdown passes and rally the Toronto Argonauts to a 25-20 exhibition CFL win over the Montreal Alouettes on Tuesday afternoon.

Harris, vying for the No. 3 job behind Argos veterans Ricky Ray and Jarious Jackson, capped a 93-yard march by hitting Samie Parker on a five-yard TD strike 21 seconds into the fourth to put Toronto ahead 25-17.

He pulled Toronto into a 17-17 tie with a nine-yard touchdown pass to Jessie Hubbard early in the third before Anthony Alix's single at 9:20.

"Trevor seems to have some moxie, a presence back there and a little bit of the 'it' factor," said Argos rookie head coach Scott Milanovich, himself a former quarterback who played in both the CFL and NFL. "He has done it two weeks in a row, which is impressive.

Harris, battling former Alouette Ricky Santos and rookie Zach Collaros for the third spot, finished 13-of-15 passing for 160 yards and the two TDs. Last week, he was 7-of-10 passing for 84 yards and a TD in a 29-24 victory over Hamilton.

But the six-foot-three, 209-pound Harris, who played collegiate football at Edinboro, felt he could've done better.

"To be honest, I really felt I left some plays out on the field," he said. "I did everything I could to ensure I had no regrets."

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EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	41	26	.612	—
Baltimore	39	29	.574	2½
Tampa Bay	38	29	.567	3
Toronto	**34**	**33**	**.507**	**7**
Boston	34	33	.507	7

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	35	32	.522	—
Cleveland	34	32	.515	½
Detroit	33	34	.493	2
Kansas City	29	36	.446	5
Minnesota	26	40	.394	8½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	41	27	.603	—
Los Angeles	36	32	.529	5
Oakland	31	36	.463	9½
Seattle	29	40	.420	12½

Tuesday's results — Inter-League
Atlanta 4 N.Y. Yankees 3
Tampa Bay 5 Washington 4
N.Y. Mets 5 Baltimore 0
Pittsburgh 7 Minnesota 2
Boston 7 Miami 5
Detroit 6 St. Louis 3
Cincinnati at Cleveland
Kansas City at Houston
Chicago Cubs at Chicago White Sox
Toronto at Milwaukee
Seattle at Arizona
L.A. Dodgers at Oakland
San Francisco at L.A. Angels
Texas at San Diego
Monday's results — Inter-League
Milwaukee 7 **Toronto 6**
Houston 9 Kansas City 7
Arizona 7 Seattle 1
San Francisco 5 L.A. Angels 3
Texas 2 San Diego 1
N.Y. Mets 5 Baltimore 0
Chicago Cubs 12 Chicago White Sox 3
N.Y. Yankees 6 Atlanta 2
Cleveland 10 Cincinnati 9
Wednesday's games — Inter-League
Atlanta (Hanson 7-4) at N.Y. Yankees (P.Hughes 7-5), 1:05 p.m.
Kansas City (B.Chen 5-6) at Houston (Lyles 1-3), 2:05 p.m.
Toronto (Undecided) at Milwaukee (Gallardo 5-5), 2:10 p.m.
Seattle (Vargas 7-6) at Arizona (Cahill 5-5), 3:40 p.m.
Texas (Darvish 8-4) at San Diego (Bass 2-7), 6:35 p.m.
Cincinnati (Arroyo 3-4) at Cleveland (Masterson 3-6), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Liriano 1-7) at Pittsburgh (Bedard 4-7), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Westbrook 5-6) at Detroit (Porcello 4-4), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Archer 0-0) at Washington (Strasburg 8-1), 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Matusz 5-7) at N.Y. Mets (Gee 4-5), 7:10 p.m.
Miami (Nolasco 6-5) at Boston (Doubront 7-3), 7:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (R.Wells 1-1) at Chicago White Sox (Floyd 4-7), 8:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Eovaldi 0-2) at Oakland (Milone 6-5), 10:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Vogelsong 6-2) at L.A. Angels (Weaver 6-1), 10:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	38	27	.585	—
New York	37	32	.536	3
Atlanta	36	32	.529	3½
Miami	33	34	.493	6
Philadelphia	32	37	.464	8

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cincinnati	38	28	.576	—
Pittsburgh	35	31	.530	3
St. Louis	34	34	.500	5
Milwaukee	31	36	.463	7½
Houston	28	39	.418	10½
Chicago	23	44	.343	15½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	42	25	.627	—
San Francisco	38	30	.559	4½
Arizona	33	34	.493	9
Colorado	25	41	.379	16½
San Diego	24	44	.353	18½

Tuesday's result
Philadelphia 7 Colorado 2
Wednesday's game
All times Eastern
Colorado (White 2-5) at Philadelphia (Blanton 6-6), 7:05 p.m.
Thursday's game
Colorado at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.

NL LEADERS

	G	AB	R	H	Avg.
Votto Cin	66	228	45	84	.368
MeCabrera SF	65	269	48	98	.364
Ruiz Phi	59	189	29	67	.354
DWright NYM	64	232	44	82	.353
CGonzalez Col	60	245	51	82	.335
YMolina StL	61	221	29	72	.326
McCutchen Pit	62	231	35	75	.325
Altuve Hou	66	266	44	85	.320
Bourn Atl	67	285	45	90	.316
Braun Mil	63	242	44	76	.314

Runs — CGonzalez, Col, 51; MeCabrera, SF, 48; Pence, Phil, 46; Uggla, Atl, 46; Bourn, Atl, 45; Votto, Cin, 45; Altuve, Hou, 44; Braun, Mil, 44; DWright, NY, 44.
RBI — Ethier, LA, 55; CGonzalez, Col, 51; Beltran, StL, 48; Braun, Mil, 48; Bruce, Cin, 46; Votto, Cin, 45; Cuddyer, Col, 44.
Hits — MeCabrera, SF, 98; Bourn, Atl, 90; Altuve, Hou, 85; SCastro, Chi, 84; Votto, Cin, 84; CGonzalez, Col, 82; DWright, NY, 82.
Doubles — Votto, Cincinnati, 29; Cuddyer, Colorado, 22; DWright, NY, 22; Ethier, LA, 20; Ar.Ramirez, Mil, 19; Altuve, Hou, 18; Hart, Mil, 18; Stanton, Miami, 18.
Triples — MeCabrera, SF, 7; SCastro, Chi, 6; Fowler, Col, 6; Reyes, Mia, 6; OHudson, SD 5.
Home Runs — Beltran, StL, 19; Braun, Mil, 19; CGonzalez, Col, 17; Bruce, Cin, 16; Hart, Mil, 14; Stanton, Miami, 14.
Stolen Bases — Campana, Chicago, 24; DGordon, Los Angeles, 21; Bonifacio, Miami, 20; Bourn, Atlanta, 17; SCastro, Chicago, 16; Reyes, Miami, 16; Schafer, Houston, 16.
Pitching — Dickey, NY, 11-1; Lynn, StL, 10-2; MCain, SF, 9-2; Hamels, Phil, 9-3; Strasburg, Wash, 8-1; Capuano, LA, 8-2; Miley, Ariz, 8-3; Cueto, Cin, 8-3; GGonzalez, Wash, 8-3.
Strikeouts — Dickey, NY, 103; Strasburg, Wash, 100; MCain, SF, 100; GGonzalez, Wash, 97; Greinke, Mil, 95; Hamels, Phil, 92.
Saves — Kimbrel, Atl, 19; SCasilla, SF, 19; Papelbon, Phil, 17; Hanrahan, Pit, 17; Myers, Hou, 16; FFrancisco, NY, 16; HBell, Mia, 14; Motte, StL, 14.
Tuesday's games not included

LATE MONDAY

BREWERS 7, BLUE JAYS 6

Toronto	ab	r	h	bi
Lawrie 3b	5	3	2	1
Rasms cf	3	1	1	0
Bautist rf	3	1	1	3
Encmc 1b	4	1	1	1
YEscor ss	4	0	0	0
RDavis lf	4	0	1	0
Arencii c	3	0	0	0
Coello p	0	0	0	0
Oliver p	0	0	0	0
Cooper ph	1	0	1	0
Corder p	0	0	0	0
Vizquel 2b	4	0	2	0
HAlvrz p	1	0	0	0
McCoy ph	1	0	1	0
Laffey p	0	0	0	0
YGoms c	1	0	0	0
KJhnsn ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	**35**	**6**	**10**	**5**

Milwaukee	ab	r	h	bi
Aoki rf	5	0	1	1
Morgan cf	3	2	1	0
Axford p	0	0	0	0
Braun lf	5	2	1	1
ArRmr 3b	3	1	3	3
Hart 1b	4	0	1	0
RWeks 2b	4	0	2	2
Kottars c	3	0	1	0
MIdnd ph-c	1	0	0	0
Maysnt ss	4	1	2	0
Wolf p	2	1	1	0
Loe p	0	0	0	0
FrRdrg p	0	0	0	0
Green ph	1	0	0	0
CGomz cf	0	0	0	0
Totals	**35**	**7**	**13**	**7**

Toronto	**101**	**001**	**300 — 6**
Milwaukee	**240**	**000**	**10x — 7**

E—Lawrie (10). DP—Milw 1. LOB—Toronto 5, Milw 8. 2B—Lawrie (11), Ar.Ramirez (19), Maysonet (1). HR—Lawrie (6), Bautista (20), Encarnacion (18), Ar.Ramirez (8). SB—Lawrie (9). CS—R.Davis (4). S—Wolf.

Toronto	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
H.Alvarez	4	11	6	6	2	1
Laffey	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Coello L,0-1	1	1	1	1	0	2
Oliver	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Cordero	1	1	0	0	1	2
Milwaukee						
Wolf	6 1-3	8	4	4	1	6
Loe W,4-2 BS,2-2	2-3	1	2	2	1	0
Fr.Rodriguez H,14	1	1	0	0	0	0
Axford S,12-15	1	0	0	0	0	1

HBP—by Wolf (Bautista). T—2:52. A—32,223 (41,900) at Milwaukee, Wisc.

BLUE JAYS STATISTICS

BATTERS	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	AVG
McCoy	7	1	3	0	2	.429
Cooper	62	7	18	2	6	.290
Lawrie	250	35	72	6	27	.288
Encarnacion	242	37	67	18	45	.277
Davis	113	23	30	4	16	.265
Johnson	241	34	62	9	30	.257
Rasmus	242	32	62	10	33	.256
Escobar	263	37	65	4	20	.247
Bautista	242	43	56	20	50	.231
Vizquel	52	4	12	0	2	.231
Arencibia	200	24	43	9	32	.215
Gomes	38	6	8	3	8	.211
Francisco	34	3	7	0	0	.206
Mathis	51	9	10	3	6	.196

PITCHERS	W	L	SV	IP	SO	ERA
Mathis	0	0	0	1.0	0	0.00
Oliver	0	2	0	23.1	25	1.54
Janssen	1	1	6	25.2	22	2.81
Perez	2	1	0	34.2	32	2.86
Laffey	0	0	0	6.0	3	3.00
Morrow	7	4	0	77.2	67	3.01
Villanueva	2	0	0	31.0	32	3.48
Cecil	1	0	0	5.0	5	3.60
Coello	0	1	0	5.0	8	3.60
Frasor	0	1	0	24.2	31	3.65
Romero	7	1	0	88.1	64	4.28
Alvarez	3	6	0	90.0	27	4.30
Hutchison	5	3	0	58.2	49	4.60
Drabek	4	7	0	71.1	47	4.67
Cordero	2	4	2	27.1	21	5.27
Chavez	0	0	0	5.0	7	5.40
Santos	0	1	2	5.0	4	9.00

Tuesday's game not included

AL LEADERS

	G	AB	R	H	Avg.
Konerko CWS	60	220	35	79	.359
Hamilton Tex	61	233	42	77	.330
Trumbo LAA	59	216	30	69	.319
Jeter NYY	65	281	39	89	.317
Fielder Det	66	248	35	78	.315

Tuesday's games not included

TENNIS

ATP-WTA

AEGON INTERNATIONAL

At Eastbourne, England
Men's Singles — First Round
Yen-hsun Lu, Taiwan, def. Julien Benneteau (5), France, 6-3, 2-6, 7-6 (4).
Andy Roddick (6), United States, def. Sam Querrey, United States, 5-2, retired.
Philipp Kohlschreiber (7), Germany, def. Go Soeda, Japan, 6-4, 7-5.
Steve Darcis, Belgium, def. Matthew Ebden, Australia, 6-2, 6-4.
Denis Istomin, Uzbekistan, def. Michael Llodra, France, 6-4, 6-3.
Men's Singles — Second Round
Marinko Matosevic, Australia, def. Richard Gasquet (1), France, 1-6, 7-6 (5), 7-6 (3).
Women's Singles — First Round
Tsvetana Pironkova, Bulgaria, def. Agnieszka Radwanska (1), Poland, 6-2, 6-4.
Ekaterina Makarova, Russia, def. Petra Kvitova (2), Czech Republic, 7-5, 6-4.
Christina McHale, United States, def. Caroline Wozniacki (3), Denmark, 6-1, 6-7 (7), 6-4.
Marion Bartoli (4), France, def. Sorana Cirstea, Romania, 6-2, 6-2.
Angelique Kerber (5), Germany, def. Elena Vesnina, Russia, 3-6, 6-0, 7-5.
Lucie Safarova (7), Czech Republic, def. Timea Babos, Hungary, 6-3, 3-6, 7-6 (6).
Petra Cetkovska (9), Czech Republic, def. Andrea Hlavackova, Czech Republic, 3-6, 6-2, 6-1.
Stephanie Dubois, Laval, Que., def. Carla Suarez Navarro, Spain, 6-4, 6-4.
Klara Zakopalova, Czech Republic, def. Zheng Jie, China, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3.
Laura Robson, Britain, def. Maria Jose Martinez Sanchez, Spain, 3-6, 6-2, 6-2.
Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova, Russia, def. Hsieh Su-wei, Taiwan, 6-2, 3-0, retired.
Heather Watson, Britain, def. Greta Arn, Hungary, 6-3, 6-4.

UNICEF OPEN

At Den Bosch, Netherlands
Men's Singles — First Round
David Ferrer (1), Spain, def. Pierre-Ludovic Duclos, Canada, 6-4, 6-4.
Xavier Malisse, Belgium, def. Viktor Troicki (2), Serbia, 7-6 (4), 6-2.
Edouard Roger-Vasselin, France def. Alex Bogomolov Jr. (7), Russia, 6-4, 6-4.
Lukasz Kubot (8), Poland, def. Dudi Sela, Israel, 6-1, 6-2.
Flavio Cipolla, Italy, def. Potito Starace, Italy, 4-2, retired.
Women's Singles — First Round
Daria Gavrilova, Russia, def. Yanina Wickmayer, Belgium, 6-1, 6-2.
Sofia Arvidsson, Sweden, def. Jelena Jankovic (7), Serbia, 6-2, 3-6, 6-4.
Women's Singles — Second Round
Dominika Cibulkova (3), Slovakia, def. Shahar Peer, Israel, 6-2, 7-6 (5).
Urszula Radwanska, Poland, def. Flavia Pennetta (4), Italy, 6-1, 6-1.
Nadia Petrova (8), Russia, def. Anabel Medina Garrigues, Spain, 7-5, 6-3.
Kim Clijsters, Belgium, def. Kateryna Bondarenko, Ukraine, 6-2, 6-1.

WIMBLEDON QUALIFYING

At Roehampton, England
Men's Singles — Second Round
Wayne Odesnik (20), United States, def. **Peter Polansky, Thornhill, Ont.,** 7-6 (5), 6-3.
Erik Chvojka, Montreal, Que., def. Harri Heliovaara, Finland, 7-5, 7-5.
Women's Singles — Second Round
Heidi El Tabakh, Canada, def. Kurumi Nara (22), Japan, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3.
Olivia Rogowska (10), Australia, def. **Sharon Fichman, Canada,** 6-2, 6-2.

CFL

PRE-SEASON

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
Toronto	2	2	0	0	54	44	4
Winnipeg	1	1	0	0	22	10	2
Hamilton	1	0	1	0	24	29	0
Montreal	2	0	2	0	30	47	0

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
B.C.	1	1	0	0	44	10	2
Calgary	1	1	0	0	20	17	0
Edmonton	1	0	1	0	17	20	0
Saskatchewan	1	0	1	0	10	44	0

WEEK TWO
Tuesday's result
All times Eastern
Toronto 25 Montreal 20
Wednesday's game
Hamilton at Winnipeg, 8 p.m.
Thursday's game
B.C. at Edmonton, 9 p.m.
Friday's game
Calgary at Saskatchewan, 9 p.m.
END OF PRE-SEASON

ARGONAUTS 25, ALOUETTES 20

First Quarter
Mtl — TD Whitaker 16 run (Whyte convert) 5:26
Second Quarter
Mtl — FG Whyte 42 2:52
Tor — FG Prefontaine 48 12:04
Tor — TD Horne 9 blocked punt return (Prefontaine convert) 13:08
Mtl — TD Patterson 12 pass from McPherson (Whyte convert) 14:03
Third Quarter
Tor — TD Hubbard 9 pass from Harris (Alix convert) 2:07
Tor — Single Alix 46 9:20
Fourth Quarter
Tor — TD Parker 5 pass from Harris (Alix convert) 0:21
Mtl — FG Whyte 43 5:01

Montreal	**7**	**10**	**0**	**3—20**
Toronto	**0**	**10**	**8**	**7—25**

Attendance — 36,214 at Toronto.

REGULAR SEASON

WEEK ONE
Friday, June 29
Saskatchewan at Hamilton, 7 p.m.
Winnipeg at B.C., 10 p.m.
Saturday, June 30
Toronto at Edmonton, 7 p.m.
Sunday, July 1
Montreal at Calgary, 7 p.m.

NBA PLAYOFFS

FINAL

(Best-of-7 series)
OKLAHOMA CITY (W2) VS. MIAMI (E2)
(Miami leads 2-1)
Tuesday's result
Oklahoma City at Miami
Thursday's game
All times Eastern
Oklahoma City at Miami, 9 p.m.
Sunday's game
x-Miami at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.
Tuesday, June 26
x-Miami at Oklahoma City, 9 p.m.
x — if necessary.

SOCCER

EURO 2012

FIRST ROUND

GROUP A

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pt
x-Czech Rep.	3	2	0	1	4	4	6
x-Greece	3	1	1	1	3	3	4
Russia	3	1	1	1	5	3	4
Poland	3	0	2	1	2	3	2

GROUP B

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pt
x-Germany	3	3	0	0	5	2	9
x-Portugal	3	2	0	1	5	4	6
Denmark	3	1	0	2	4	5	3
Netherlands	3	0	0	3	2	5	0

GROUP C

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pt
x-Spain	3	2	1	0	6	1	7
x-Italy	3	1	2	0	4	2	5
Croatia	3	1	1	1	4	3	4
Ireland	3	0	0	3	1	9	0

x — clinched quarter-final berth.
Monday's results
At Gdansk, Poland
Spain 1 Croatia 0
At Poznan, Poland
Italy 2 Ireland 0

GROUP D

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pt
x-England	3	2	1	0	5	3	7
x-France	3	1	1	1	3	3	4
Ukraine	3	1	0	2	2	4	3
Sweden	3	1	0	2	5	5	3

Tuesday's results
At Kiev, Ukraine
Sweden 2 France 0
At Donetsk, Ukraine
England 1 Ukraine 0

QUARTER-FINALS

Thursday's game
All times Eastern
At Warsaw, Poland
Czech Republic vs. Portugal, 2:45 p.m.
Friday's game
At Gdansk, Poland
Germany vs. Greece, 2:45 p.m.
Saturday's game
At Kiev, Ukraine
Spain vs. France, 2:45 p.m.
Sunday's game
At Donetsk, Ukraine
Italy vs. Italy, 2:45 p.m.

MLS

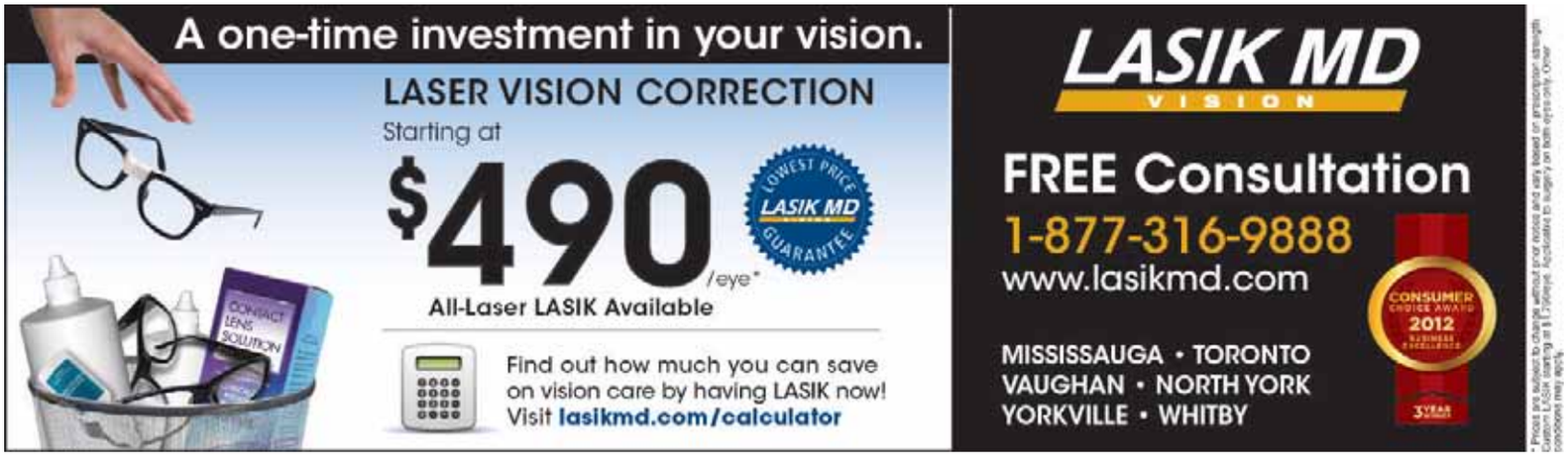
EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
D.C.	16	9	4	3	29	19	30
Kansas City	13	9	3	1	19	10	28
New York	14	8	4	2	27	21	26
Chicago	14	6	5	3	18	18	21
Houston	13	5	4	4	15	16	19
Columbus	13	5	4	4	13	13	19
New England	14	5	7	2	18	18	17
Montreal	14	4	7	3	19	22	15
Philadelphia	12	2	8	2	8	15	8
Toronto	11	1	10	0	8	23	3

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Salt Lake	15	10	3	2	25	14	32
San Jose	14	8	3	3	27	17	27
Vancouver	14	7	3	4	17	15	25
Seattle	14	7	4	3	17	13	24
Colorado	14	6	7	1	20	19	19
Chivas USA	14	4	7	3	9	17	15
Los Angeles	14	4	8	2	16	21	14
Portland	13	3	6	4	12	16	13
Dallas	16	3	9	4	16	26	13

Wednesday's games — All times Eastern
Toronto at Houston, 9 p.m.
Los Angeles at Salt Lake, 9 p.m.
San Jose at Colorado, 9:30 p.m.
Kansas City at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Montreal at Chivas USA, 10:30 p.m.
New York at Vancouver, 11 p.m.



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Caddy's XTS steps up to the plate

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Aesthetics

Visually, the XTS comes across as much leaner and tauter than its predecessor, although its chiselled nose and tail and a high beltline are common to the Cadillac fleet. Overall, the XTS's elegant, original design clearly distinguishes it from its European counterparts.

Safety features

Like most vehicles in its class, the XTS has a laundry list of safety electronics and warnings. The Driver Awareness Package includes lane-departure warning that alerts you if an unintended lane change is imminent. As well, forward collision alert warns of a too-rapid closing speed to the vehicle in front.

2013 Cadillac XTS

- **Type.** Four-door, front- /all-wheel-drive full-size luxury sedan.
- **Engine (hp):** 3.6-litre DOHC V6 (304).
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy): 11.5/7.5 (est., FWD).
- **Base Price (incl. destination):** $50,600.

There are no plans for a V8 option, but a plug-in gasoline-electric hybrid is reportedly in the pipeline.

Engine

No XTS pilot will be overwhelmed by the powertrain. For now, the sole choice is a 304-horsepower 3.6-litre V6 that operates through a six-speed automatic transmission with manual shift controls. All-wheel-drive can be added to the three trim levels — Luxury, Premium and Platinum — above the base XTS.

Review. Faced with whether to keep the STS or the DTS, Cadillac did the only sensible thing: it replaced both

MALCOLM GUNN
Wheelbase Media

Cadillac is shaking up its product line in a big way and the XTS sedan literally plays the biggest part in General Motors' premium division.

For the 2013 model year, the XTS becomes the flagship of Cadillac's passenger-car fleet, replacing both the front-wheel-drive DTS and the rear-wheel-drive STS.

At the opposite end, the equally new ATS becomes Caddy's smallest and least-expensive car (the mid-range CTS stands pat).

As with the DTS, the XTS (which is arriving at dealerships now) is front-wheel-drive.

It's a platform that will also be used for the 2014 Chevrolet Impala. As big as it is, the XTS is about 14 centimetres shorter and five centimetres narrower than the DTS and is also 10 centimetres shorter between the front and rear wheels.

But don't let the shrinkage fool you as the revised proportions, including a shorter hood and a higher roofline, mean greater interior room. According to Cadillac's tape measure, there's more rear-seat and trunk space than a BMW 5 Series, Mercedes-Benz E-Class and an Audi A6.

Since the XTS is a Cadillac, there are almost unlimited comfort and convenience items, many of which are standard in the $50,600 (including destination costs) base car.

That price seems reasonable given the car's cutting-edge looks and content and the fact that other premium automakers charge as much or more for their higher-end models.

5 DRIVE

Top Gear

A no-spill, no-waste funnel

Funnels are great until whatever you're filling up is full, and there's still liquid in the funnel ... and then the entire contents of the funnel ends up on the ground. Proform Tools No-Mess Funnel prevents overspills with a patented ball-and-hook design that opens up the funnel spout to allow virtually any type of liquid to flow. Once maximum capacity is reached, removing the funnel instantly closes the opening, allowing leftover fluid still in the funnel to be returned to the container. Sounds amazing, but what's even more amazing is that you can purchase a No-Mess Funnel for just five bucks. The order form and descriptive video are available at proformtools.com.

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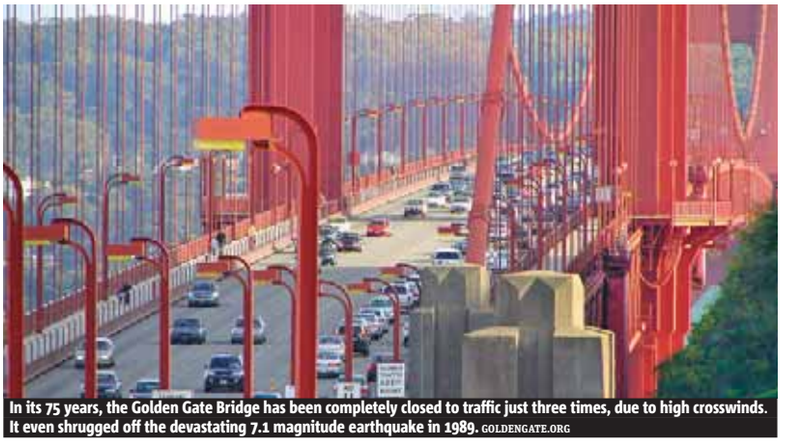
Opening day in 1937, after the assembly of 805,000 tonnes of steel and the death of 11 people during construction. The Golden Gate Bridge became a key transportation link and symbol of progress. GOLDENGATE.ORG



In its 75 years, the Golden Gate Bridge has been completely closed to traffic just three times, due to high crosswinds. It even shrugged off the devastating 7.1 magnitude earthquake in 1989. GOLDENGATE.ORG

'More than a symbol of San Francisco'

Auto Know. San Francisco's famous landmark, used by 120,000 vehicles a day, recently celebrated its 75th birthday

TODD D. BURLAGE
Wheelbase Media

At last the mighty task is done;
Resplendent in the western sun
The Bridge looms mountain high;
Its titan piers grip ocean floor,
Its great steal arms link shore with shore,
It's towers pierce the sky.
Beneath, fleet ships from every port,
Vast landlocked by historic fort,
And dwarfing all — the sea.

It's an excerpt from the poem The Mighty Task Is Done, written by Joseph P. Strauss, the visionary and chief engineer for the construction of the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco.

The tribute was written in 1937, upon the opening of the majestic and delicate-looking structure. It celebrates a project that took more than four years and 805,000 tonnes of steal to complete, and claimed 11 lives during its construction.

The Golden Gate Bridge celebrated her 75th birthday in May, marked by an impressive fireworks show, a giant parade and a citywide celebration. Considered one of the Seven Wonders of the Modern World, if these rivets, cables and towers could talk, what a story they would tell.

"Its rugged beauty is remarkable," said Patrick Clemens, a San Franciscan whose apartment in the Marina District overlooks the Golden Gate Bridge to the West. "The bridge is truly more than a symbol of San Francisco. It's a symbol of American ingenuity."

The first automobile crossed the Golden Gate Bridge at high noon on May 28, 1937, to the sound of celebratory church bells and fire sirens throughout San Francisco. President Franklin D. Roosevelt signalled the opening of the 2.7-kilometre bridge with the push of a telegraph key that announced the event to the world, and opened a needed gateway to and from San Francisco.

"Part of (the bridge concept) was very basic," said John King, the urban design critic for the San Francisco Chronicle. "The automobile was picking up popularity, and by all accounts, you had two-to-three-hour waits to get across the gate on a Sunday night by car ferry."

As the only road to exit San Francisco to the north, leading to the Sonoma and Napa wine regions, the six-lane bridge served its one billionth automobile in 1985 and carries about 120,000 vehicles a day and 40 million back and forth across the Bay every year. And with a $6 toll to take the bridge into San Francisco, the Golden Gate generates about US $85 million in revenue every year.

By the numbers

162,414
The highest number of vehicles to cross the bridge in a day (Oct. 27, 1989).

45
The bridge's speed limit in m.p.h., which translates to 72 km/h.

$6
The toll to use the bridge.

$85M
The amount of money generated by the bridge each year.

But the convenience and earning power of the bridge are only sidebars to the reliability story the Golden Gate has demonstrated to commuters in its 75 years of service.

Amazingly, the Golden Gate Bridge has been briefly closed to automobile traffic only three times in its history, all because of sustained winds off the Pacific Ocean in excess of 70 m.p.h. (112 km/h), but it survived all three incidents without any structural damage.

The suspension span can sway more than six metres, which gets a driver's attention while crossing it and creates some motion sickness for pedestrians on a windy day, but the flexibility absorbs the unforgiving wind and weather this region routinely brings.

"You couldn't have put the bridge in a more corrosive atmosphere than in the middle of the Golden Gate with that salt fog coming in," said Daniel Mohn, a former chief engineer for the bridge and a Golden Gate historian.

During the evening commute on Oct. 17, 1989, traffic throughout the Bay Area was snarled when a 7.1-magnitude earthquake struck. Considered the most devastating quake to hit the area since 1906, the Bay Bridge to the east was shut down when two 15-metre sections collapsed, diverting about 40,000 additional drivers to the Golden Gate Bridge, which was left undamaged and operational through the memorable quake and subsequent repair period.

On Oct. 27, 1989, a record 162,414 vehicles crossed the Golden Gate Bridge while the Bay Bridge was being repaired.

Weather isn't the only hazard the Golden Gate Bridge presents to drivers. The daily practice of changing lane patterns to help traffic flow has contributed to dozens of crashes on the bridge and endless headaches for transit district officials.

North and southbound lanes are lined and separated by 50-centimetre yellow rubber tube markers placed every eight metres. During the morning commute, four of the six lanes run southbound into San Francisco, and during the evening rush hour, the markers are reconfigured so that four lanes run into Marin County on the north side of the Bay, a traffic flow adjustment that has confused drivers through the years, and brought a push to install a movable median barrier on the bridge.

As another safety initiative for drivers, the speed limit on the bridge was reduced in 1996 to 45 m.p.h. (72 km/h) from 55 (89 km/h) and fines for speeding on the span were doubled, which officials say have reduced the number of collisions on the bridge.

Joseph P. Strauss faced many critics who told him the San Francisco Bay could never be spanned by a suspension bridge surrounded by some of the harshest winds and climate conditions Mother Nature can unleash.

But through one man's vision and the death-defying feats of thousands of bridge workers over the decades, 75 years of service may be only the infancy for this proud bridge that is truly the Golden Standard.

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V8 Explorer a safe bet for the family

Second Gear.
2006 to 2010
Ford Explorer

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Shopping used? Have a family or boat and need a four-wheel drive that's spacious and tough? The Ford Explorer is worth a look.

Available in its last generation from 2006 to 2010, riding an actual "truck" frame platform and fitted with a real four-wheel drive system, Explorer was engineered for real-life capability.

Feature content included Ford's keypad system, automatic climate control, power-adjustable pedals, heated leather, a sunroof and more.

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Common Issues

On earlier models, check the transmission for smoothness while shifting between reverse and drive, and note any slipping or hesitation when accelerating from a stop.

Any drivability issues related to the six-speed transmission (standard on V8-powered models) are likely computer-related and not catastrophic.

The five-speed automatic teamed up with the V6 engine is noted to be more problematic and less robust, making the V8 powertrain a more sensible choice. Some stalling issues were also noted on the V6-powered models, backing this point.

On any Explorer, check for proper air conditioning performance, and have the underside of the vehicle checked for fluid leaks — especially coolant leaks. Also have the underside checked out for signs of rust, off-road abuse and worn suspension components.

Ensure you're able to toggle between all 4x4 modes as outlined in the owner's manual.

Engine

Look for four-wheel drive and automatic transmissions all around. Explorer's standard four-litre V6 engine made 210 horsepower, while a 4.6-litre V8 turned in 292 ponies.

What Owners Like

Looks, a stable and comfortable ride, and an overall "safe" feel to the last-generation Explorer were noted by many drivers. Many say Explorer feels "strong," rides well and has a fast-acting traction control system for stable performance.

What Owners Dislike

Common complaints aside from the standard SUV fuel-consumption gripes include limited at-hand storage space, and limited rear seat room.

Verdict

Used Explorer shoppers are advised to avoid the earlier years of this model and stick to V8-powered units where possible. A well-maintained Explorer free of notable issues should prove the most reliable.

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Al Playter, instructor of automotive and motorcycle programs at Centennial College. PHOTOS BY JIL MCINTOSH/FOR METRO

Auto students learn computers as well as cars

Driving Force. Prospective automotive technicians are getting much more 'technical' these days

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Hybrid components are part of the courses for auto technicians at this school.

As auto innovations move ahead, the idea of technicians being merely "grease monkeys" is now firmly in the past. Students training for the trade must know as much about computers as they do about wrenches.

"It's not about 'hard parts' anymore," says Al Playter, an instructor in automotive and motorcycle programs at Toronto's Centennial College.

"We're now dealing with computerized systems that require diagnosis. In some cases we could have up to 55 or 60 onboard computers that not only process data but control the car. To successfully diagnose it requires sophisticated equipment, and the ability to interpret the data that you see."

Students in the program start with the basics in five disciplines: electronics and fuels; steering, suspension and brakes; powertrains; engines; and work practices and procedures, which includes computer skills, tools, measuring devices, air conditioning, lubricants, and bearings and seals. It takes three to five years to become a licensed technician.

The car's computers will generate fault codes when something goes wrong, and the students can plug in diagnostic tools to access them, but it seldom comes down to the car simply "telling" the student what part to replace.

"The diagnostic equipment doesn't pinpoint the exact cause," Playter says.

"It will tell you that something is wrong and this is the area where you're having a problem, but everything is integrated in the car now. If there's no fuel getting to the injectors, it doesn't necessarily mean it's a simple thing such as a fuel pump. It could be communication from one computer to another — a broken wire, a bad connection, or a bad ground."

Playter says that electrical and fuel lessons are the toughest.

"We rate each of the courses when we're inputting marks, and the average of the other four disciplines is four to five degrees of difficulty. Electrical and fuel is 12. It's math and abstract thinking; it's not nuts and bolts."

Students also have to study hybrid vehicles, including safety when dealing with high-voltage equipment.

Despite all of the computers, though, parts still have to be replaced or fixed.

"Hammers, chisels, wrenches — we're still using them," Playter says. "That's still all part and parcel, regardless of how technical we get."

Expensive job

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DeltaWing loses race, wins hearts and minds

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This Batmobile-look-alike, the Nissan DeltaWing, was the underdog at a race on the weekend. CONTRIBUTED

The Nissan DeltaWing definitely did not win last weekend's 24 Hours of Le Mans.

In fact, it didn't even finish — it was struck by another racer at about the six-hour mark, which forced its retirement.

Even if it would've managed to go the furthest at the 24-hour mark, it still wouldn't have been declared the winner. That's because the sanctioning body of the race only granted the Delta Wing team the last starting spot on the grid (No. 56) — a spot traditionally reserved for a car that is not allowed to race for points, but has the intent to advance motorsports technology in some meaningful way.

So DeltaWing couldn't win and it didn't win, but it easily had the most people pulling for it, and was the biggest story of the race.

Why? Several reasons actually, and let's start with its looks.

This is definitely a case of one thing that doesn't look like the others. DeltaWing looks like a rocket laid sideways — small front, big rear. Most race cars look like they're ready to eat corners. The DeltaWing looks like it would rather not turn, thank you. So it's got some visual drama going for it, even though it seems incongruous with racing, or in fact, because of it.

It looks the way it does because of its unique mission — to complete the famous endurance race using half the fuel and half the tire material of an LMP1 class Le Mans racer. DeltaWing's engineers believe this is possible because they've designed the car to have half the aerodynamic drag and half the weight of a current LMP1 or LMP2 racer (1,000 lbs versus 2,000 lbs). This means DeltaWing can do its racing thing with a smallish engine. For Le Mans duty it was fitted with a 1.6-litre, four-cylinder engine producing 300 horsepower. This year's overall winner, the Audi V6 diesel "hybrid," had over 500 hp on tap.

During its best stint, DeltaWing was running a strong LMP2 pace and its fuel usage was on course to be half that of cars in the LMP1 class. So if you like rooting for an underdog, and a lot of people do, then the DeltaWing was your man.

But at the six-hour mark DeltaWing got clipped by another competitor and was forced into a concrete wall. Driver Satoshi Motoyama's post-crash actions were not typical fare. For example, he did not wave an angry finger to the driver that hit him, nor did he follow him to the paddock with the intent of punching him out, NASCAR style. Instead, he tried valiantly to repair the car roadside, as per the rules, so it could limp to the pits, where the team was allowed to help.

Now, everybody was rooting for Motoyama.

He struggled tirelessly for 90 minutes, with massive support from his team, who joined him to give instructions from trackside. In the end, however, it was just too damaged to move.

"Initially, we were completely gutted, but that feeling quickly gave way to huge sense of pride in what we have achieved," noted Darren Cox, general manager of Nissan in Europe, in a post-race press release.

Like we said earlier, it didn't win the race, but everyone involved, or rooting for it, felt something had been won.

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Opinion

Mayor McCallion wants you to pay more

THE WHEEL DEAL
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Recently, Mississauga Mayor Hazel McCallion proclaimed new taxes are the silver bullet to break traffic congestion in the GTA.

New taxes won't increase traffic flow. Better and smarter infrastructure investments will.

The Trillium Automobile Dealers Association wrote to Mayor McCallion expressing our disappointment in her suggestion that taxpayers need to pay even more.

Some media outlets say Mayor McCallion deserves praise for advocating new taxes.

In my view, to simply call for new taxes and not try to find savings within government assumes every dollar the government spends goes to good use. We all know that's not the case.

Examples like the cancelled Mississauga gas plant comes to mind, and its $300 million lawsuit taxpayers may be on the hook for. Furthermore, in a report, economist Don Drummond identified at least $1 billion the Ontario government is missing out on every year (see pages 412-417 of the Drummond Report).

Mayor Hazel McCallion
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My wife and I have two small children. Like you, we watch every penny of the family budget. If we need money for a new car, home renovations or savings for our daughters' education, we don't mortgage our family's future by recklessly taking out loans with no plans to pay it back.

This isn't just about Mayor McCallion's comments. All levels of government must get their fiscal house in order. Taxpayers — drivers and transit users — have dutifully paid their taxes.

In 2011 alone, Ontario drivers paid $15 billion in taxes and fees associated with vehicle ownership. That money was generated through 12 taxes or fees. More money isn't the answer — how it's spent is the real issue.

Here is an interesting note: The Canadian Taxpayers Federation reports that the "average Canadian pays 43 per cent of their income to taxes. Canadians now pay more in taxes than for the basic needs of life — food, clothing and housing."

I fear the trend will only go up.

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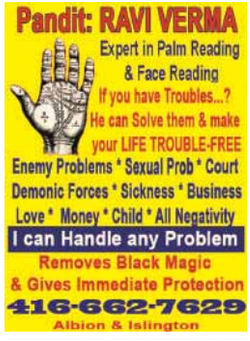
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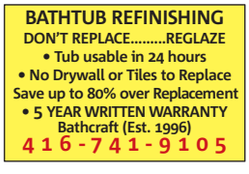
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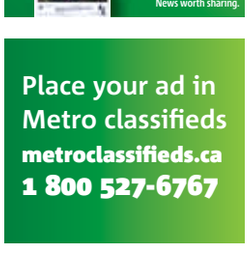

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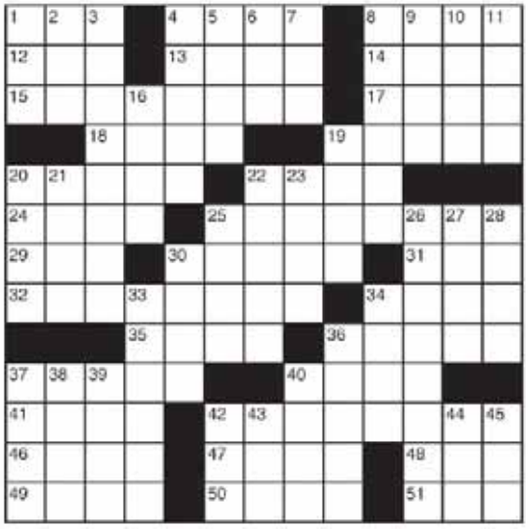

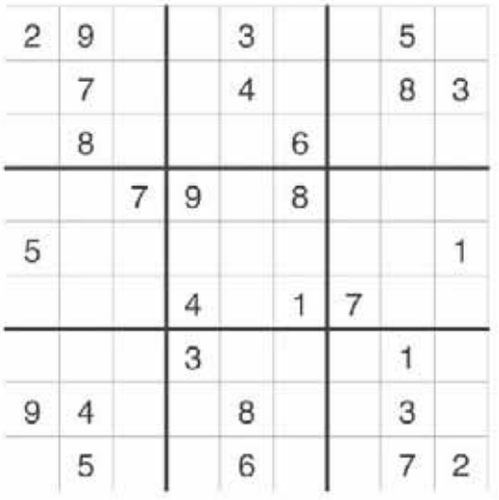

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8	4	9	7	1	6	5	2	3
3	7	5	8	4	2	9	1	6
4	1	6	2	3	5	7	9	8
5	8	2	1	7	9	6	3	4
9	3	7	6	8	4	2	5	1

Yesterday's Crossword

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Taurus | April 21 - May 21. As the Sun moves away from the money area of your chart today, you should consider giving up on a project that has not worked out the way you intended. Don't waste more time.

Gemini | May 22 - June 20. You may find yourself lacking in energy today but that's to be expected after all the efforts you've made in recent weeks.

Cancer | June 21 - July 22. The Sun in your sign over the next four weeks will make all things possible, but don't go mad and start taking foolish risks.

Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. A clash of opinions is likely today and you are likely to be quite aggressive in defense of your views. Is it worth it?

Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22. There is no need to be cautious and there is no need to believe rivals are out to get you. Even if they are, you have what it takes to outwit them.

Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22. The Sun crosses the career angle of your chart today, helping you to impress people in positions of power. Your ideas and actions will in turn have a big influence.

Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21. You may be conservative by nature but that does not mean you are incapable of original thought — far from it in fact. Get together with like-minded people to work on an idea.

Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21. It will pay you to be a bit more secretive today. There are some things that even your best friend should not know about you.

Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan 20. You are midway through your solar year, making this a good time to take stock of how far you have come and how far you still have to travel.

Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18. The Sun moves into the area of your chart that governs your work and your wellbeing today. Ask yourself: Am I happy with what I'm doing? Am I at my physical best?

Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20. As the Sun begins a four-week spell in the most dynamic area of your chart, you are full of big ideas and even bigger plans. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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